

# State of Alaska

2006 OFFICIAL ELECTION PAMPHLET

## Vote November 7



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**It's your responsibility.**

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CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN INTERIOR, GREATER VALDEZ, EASTERN MAT-SU

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## **Division of Elections Absentee Office**

The Division of Elections' Absentee Office in Anchorage handles all absentee by mail and absentee by fax applications. However, the Absentee Office does not have absentee in person voting available in that office. To find an absentee in person voting site near you, please see page 6 of this pamphlet.

The deadline to submit absentee by mail applications for the 2006 General Election is Saturday, October 28, 2006. The Absentee Office will be open on Saturday, October 28, 2006 from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. to receive absentee by mail applications.

If you have questions about voting absentee, please contact the Absentee Office by phone at (907) 375-6400, or by fax at (907) 375-6480.

**Division of Elections  
Absentee Office  
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Cover photo: Major Joel Gilbert, commander of the Alaska Army National Guard's 3rd Battalion, 297th Infantry embraced his family at the Welcome Home Reception and Freedom Salute Ceremony held in Juneau. Members of the Battalion were recognized for their safe return home and their successful one-year deployment to Iraq (April 9, 2006 -- Photo Courtesy of SGT Eric Hamilton).

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## Lieutenant Governor Loren Leman

November 2006

Dear Alaska Voter:

The Division of Elections and I are pleased to provide you with the 2006 Official Election Pamphlet, your guide to the November 7 General Election. I hope this is useful to you as you prepare to vote for a U.S. Congressman, Governor and Lieutenant Governor, members of the Alaska Legislature, retention of judges and ballot measures.

This year we are reminded that the right to vote comes with a price. From the Revolutionary War to our current peacekeeping missions in the Middle East, Americans have stood strong to protect the principles of self-government. I pay special tribute to our military and National Guard who are serving bravely so others can live in freedom and vote, perhaps for the first time. I also commend their families and friends who are supporting them.

To maintain a healthy democratic republic we must have civic-minded voters who participate in elections. In Alaska many races have been decided by a handful of votes. One vote has and will continue to make a difference. That vote could be yours.

Please exercise your right to shape the form of our governments and who our leaders are by voting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Loren Leman".

Loren Leman  
Lieutenant Governor

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*Note: Sample ballots are included with candidates for elected office, ballot measures, judicial retention candidates. Maps are placed with appropriate state house and senate candidates.*



# Voter Eligibility and Polling Places

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## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q – Who can vote?**

**A –** U.S. citizens, 18 years or older, who are registered to vote in Alaska at least 30 days before an election. (This means you must be registered to vote in Alaska on or before October 8 in order to vote on November 7.) Regional offices will be open from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 7 and from noon - 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 8.

**Q – How do I become an Alaska resident?**

**A –** You ARE a resident for voting purposes if you are in Alaska with the intent to remain in the state and are not registered to vote in another state.

**Q – May I register to vote before I am 18?**

**A –** You may register 90 days before you turn 18, but you must be 18 on or before November 7 in order to vote in the 2006 General Election.

**Q – I have just become a U.S. citizen. May I vote in the November 7 General Election?**

**A –** If you became a U.S. citizen on or before October 8 and you registered to vote on or before that date, you may vote in the November 7 General Election.

**Q – If I was arrested or convicted of a felony may I still vote?**

**A –** If you were convicted of a felony and unconditionally discharged you may vote. In this case you must re-register with the Division of Elections, but must do so by October 8 to be eligible to vote in the November 7 General Election.

**Q – How do I register to vote?**

**A –** You may register to vote in Alaska by completing a voter registration application and presenting it in person to the Division of Elections, a voter registrar in your community, a city or borough clerk, or a voter registration agency (e.g., DMV, recruitment offices of the armed forces). You may also mail it to a Division of Elections' office. A voter registration application can be downloaded from our web site: [www.elections.state.ak.us](http://www.elections.state.ak.us).

**Q – I have moved within the state since I last voted. How do I update my voter registration record?**

**A –** You may change/update your registration record on the Voter Registration Application. This must be done by October 8 for the General Election on November 7.

## POLLING PLACE QUESTIONS

TO DETERMINE WHERE YOUR POLLING PLACE IS LOCATED PLEASE CALL 1-888-383-8683  
(IN ANCHORAGE, 269-8683) OR VISIT OUR WEB SITE AT: [www.elections.state.ak.us](http://www.elections.state.ak.us)

**Q – Where do I vote?**

**A –** Go to your polling place.

**Q – What do I do if my polling place is not open?**

**A –** In the rare instance this might happen, call your regional election office for information. Phone numbers for all Regional Elections offices are listed on the back cover of this pamphlet.

**Q – If I'm not sure about what to do when I get to my polling place, is there someone there to help me?**

**A –** Yes, the election board workers at the polling place will help you.

**Q – Do I need identification when I go to vote? If so, what type?**

**A –** Yes. Examples of appropriate ID include: a driver's license, military ID, fishing or hunting license, or passport. A picture ID is not necessary.

**Q – May I take my completed sample ballot or my own written list into the voting booth?**

**A –** Yes. Deciding how you will vote before you get to the polls will help you vote an informed ballot.

**Q – Is there any way to vote instead of going to the polling place on Election Day?**

**A –** Yes. See the section in this pamphlet on Absentee Voting.

# **Voter Rights/Assistance While Voting**

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General Election Day is November 7, 2006

The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. TO LOCATE YOUR POLLING PLACE PLEASE CALL 1-888-383-8683. IN ANCHORAGE, PLEASE CALL 269-8683. The following information explains basic voting rights and will help voters with special needs.

Election information is also available on the Division of Elections' website:  
<http://www.elections.state.ak.us>

## **ASSISTANCE WHILE VOTING**

If you have difficulty voting because of a disability, difficulty reading or writing English, or for any other reason, you may bring someone to help you at the polls. The person you bring may go into the voting booth with you and help you vote. This person may be an election official, family member, friend, bystander, campaign worker, or anyone else who is not a candidate for office in the election, the voter's employer, or an officer or agent of the voter's union. This is your right under federal law.

## **NON ENGLISH SPEAKING VOTERS**

Alaska Native and Tagalog language assistance is available at many polling places throughout the state. Let the Division of Elections know ahead of time if you will need this service when you vote.

## **HEARING IMPAIRED VOTERS**

The Division of Elections has a TTY telecommunications device, which allows hearing impaired voters to obtain general information about elections by calling (907) 465-3020.

## **VISUALLY IMPAIRED VOTERS**

Magnifying ballot viewers for the visually impaired will be available at all polling places and absentee voting sites, in addition to touch screen machines, which will offer magnified, high-contrast and audio ballots.

Audio tape recordings of the **2006 Official Election Pamphlet** are available from the Alaska State Library, Talking Book Center, located in Anchorage. Contact the library at (907) 269-6575 for information.

## **PHYSICALLY DISABLED VOTERS**

If you have difficulty gaining access to your polling place, or if you have accessibility questions about your polling place, please let the Division of Elections know. We make every effort to ensure that polling places are accessible to all Alaskans.

## **EMERGENCY ABSENCES**

If you are unable to vote at your polling place for the General Election and did not have time to apply for an absentee by mail ballot or to vote absentee in person, you may be able to vote by fax. The application period for voting by fax begins on **October 23, 2006** and applications must be received by **5:00 p.m. AST on November 6, 2006**.

**IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SPECIAL SERVICES, PLEASE CONTACT ANY REGIONAL ELECTIONS OFFICE.**

### **REGION I**

JUNEAU: (907) 465-3021

KENAI: (907) 283-3805

### **REGION II**

ANCHORAGE: (907) 522-8683

MAT-SU: (907) 373-8952

### **REGION III**

FAIRBANKS: (907) 451-2835

### **REGION IV**

NOME: (907) 443-5285

# Absentee Voting

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## In Person/By Mail/By Fax/Special Needs Voting

### GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT ABSENTEE VOTING

In accordance with Alaska law, any voter may vote before Election Day for any reason. You may vote absentee in person, by mail, by fax or vote a special needs ballot through a personal representative.

### ABSENTEE IN PERSON

Beginning on **October 23, 2006**, you may vote absentee in person at any of the Regional Elections offices or other voting sites established by the Division of Elections. A list of these sites with information on which ballots will be available at each location can be found beginning on page 6 of this pamphlet. These stations will offer absentee in person voting on Election Day.

### ABSENTEE BY MAIL

Absentee ballot applications are available and can be submitted after January 1st of each calendar year, up to 10 days prior to each election for any state elections during that year. You can request a ballot for a specific election or for all elections in the year. To receive an absentee ballot by mail, you must first send an application so that your voter registration can be verified. **Apply early to ensure timely delivery of your ballot.** All absentee by mail ballot applications must be received **by October 28, 2006 for the 2006 General Election.** The Absentee by mail office will be open on October 28 from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. to accept by mail ballot applications. Voted absentee by mail ballots must be postmarked on or before Election Day.

### ABSENTEE BY FAX

Absentee by fax should be your last alternative for casting your ballot. You may apply for an absentee by fax ballot beginning on **October 23, 2006** by completing a by fax application. Your completed application must be received by **5:00 p.m. AST** on or before **November 6, 2006**. If you choose to return your voted ballot by fax, you voluntarily waive a portion of your right to a secret ballot. **Voted fax ballots may be returned by fax before 8:00 p.m. AST on Election Day and may also be returned by mail, postmarked on or before Election Day.**

### SPECIAL NEEDS VOTING

A qualified voter who is unable to go to the polls due to age, serious illness or a disability may apply for a special needs ballot through a personal representative. A personal representative can be anyone over 18, except a candidate for office in the election, the voter's employer, an agent of the voter's employer, or an officer or agent of the voter's union. The personal representative may obtain a ballot for the voter beginning on **October 23, 2006** through Election Day **November 7, 2006** at any Regional Elections office or any absentee voting site. In addition, special needs ballots may be obtained at the precincts on Election Day.

Contact any Division of Elections office to obtain a by mail or by fax application. For additional information on by mail and by fax voting, contact the Absentee Voting office. For information on in person and special needs voting, contact the Regional Elections office nearest you. Absentee voting information is also available online:

<http://www.elections.state.ak.us>

MAIL OR FAX YOUR COMPLETED ABSENTEE BY MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION TO:

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS  
ABSENTEE VOTING OFFICE  
619 E. SHIP CREEK AVE. #329  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99501-1677  
PHONE: (907) 375-6400 - FAX: (907) 375-6480

# State of Alaska Absentee by Fax Application

***THIS APPLICATION CANNOT BE SUBMITTED UNTIL 15 DAYS PRIOR TO ELECTION DAY***

For the General Election, you may submit this application beginning October, 2006 and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. Alaska time on November 6, 2006 to receive an Absentee By Fax ballot.

|   |             |   |                |  |
|---|-------------|---|----------------|--|
| 1. Last Name  |             | First Name  | Middle Initial | Suffix (Circle One)<br>Jr., Sr., II, III or ____   |
| 2. Name Previously Registered   |             |   |                |  |
| 3. You <b>MUST</b> Provide the Alaska Residence Address Where You Live - <b>DO NOT</b> use PO, PSC, HC or RR  |             |   |                |  |
| House #   | Street Name | Apt #   | City           | State<br><b>ALASKA</b>   |
| 4. You <b>MUST</b> provide at least <b>ONE</b>  |             | 5. <b>Fax My Ballot To The Following Number:</b> If out of country, provide country and city code. A direct line fax is preferable. |                | 6. <b>Phone Number Where You May Be Contacted:</b> If out of country, provide country and city code. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Security No. ____/____/____   |             | Fax #: (____) _____   |                | Phone: (____) _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Last 4 Digits of SSN _____   |             | City: _____ State: _____  |                | City: _____ State: _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska Driver's License No. _____  |             | County: _____   |                | County: _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska State ID Card No. _____   |             |   |                |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska Voter No. _____   |             |   |                |  |
| 7. <b>Voters Certificate. Read and sign below:</b>  |             |   |                | <b>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</b>   |
| I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that:  |             |   |                | VN _____   |
| The information on this form is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and I am eligible to vote in the requested jurisdiction, I am not requesting a ballot from any other state, and I am not voting in any other manner in this election.                              |             |   |                | D/P _____  |
| I further certify that I have not been convicted of a felony, or having been so convicted, have been unconditionally discharged from incarceration, probation and/or parole. I am not registered to vote in a nother state or I have taken the necessary steps to cancel that registration. |             |   |                | INTLS _____  |
| Voter Signature _____   |             | Date _____  |                |  |
| <small><b>WARNING:</b> If you provide false information on this application you can be convicted of a felony and/or misdemeanor. (AS 15.56.040; AS 15.56.050)</small>   |             |   |                |  |

## ABSENTEE BY FAX APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. You must apply separately for each election.
2. All information on this application is mandatory. Print clearly. Use blue or black ink.
3. **ALASKA RESIDENCE ADDRESS - MUST BE PROVIDED ON LINE 3:** A complete physical residence address must be included on your application. Your application will not be processed if you leave the residence address blank or if you provide a PO Box, HC No. and Box, PSC Box, Rural Route No., Commercial Address or Mail Stop Address on line 3 of the application.
4. **NOTE TO RESIDENTS TEMPORARILY OUT OF STATE:** To remain registered in Alaska you must be an Alaska resident and provide your physical residence address within the State. If you are temporarily outside Alaska and have the intent to return, you may wish to maintain your Alaska residence as it appears on your current record. The residence address provided on line 3 must be within Alaska.

If you have questions or need additional information, contact the Absentee Voting Office at 907-375-6400 or email to: [akabsentee@gov.state.ak.us](mailto:akabsentee@gov.state.ak.us). You may check the status of your absentee ballot application at <http://www.elections.state.ak.us/>

**You may FAX your completed application to the Absentee Voting Office at (907) 677-9943**



# STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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FAX: (907) 428-6019

November, 2006

Fellow Service Member,

Thank you for your dedication and sacrifice to our state and country. Your service keeps our neighbors free from the extremists who threaten us with terrorism every day. Alaska, and the United States, appreciates your commitment and your protection.

In this election season, it is appropriate that you take the time to vote, for this is the foundation of freedom. I encourage you not to take this for granted; make your voice heard.

If you do not have the chance to vote in person, hopefully you have already voted absentee by-mail. If you have not already voted, and will miss the mail application deadline, please vote by absentee-fax. It's quick, easy, and will ensure that your choice will be heard at home, no matter where you're serving in the world. Please take the following into account:

- By using this method you are voluntarily waiving your right to a secret ballot.
- You must apply separately for each election. The fax application form will not be accepted until 15 days before the election. Print; completely fill in the form, sign. And then fax it to the Division of Elections. When your application is approved, a ballot will be faxed to you.
- Vote your ballot, have your signature witnessed and fax (or mail) the ballot according to instructions.
- If you are returning your ballot by fax, it must be voted, witnessed and received by the appropriate fax machine in the Absentee Voting office by 8:00 p.m. Alaska time on election day.

This year is extremely unique, as we have additional National Guard Soldiers and Airmen away from home on Election Day. Please support our democracy by participating with your vote. You are an example of freedom; demonstrate to the world the power of your vote.

Sincerely,



Major General Craig E. Campbell  
Adjutant General of the Alaska National Guard



# Absentee Voting

Where to vote absentee in person or through a representative

Ballots for Region III House Districts listed in the far right column will be available at the following locations and times:

|  |  |                         |   |                              |
|--|--|-------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Anchorage City Hall<br>632 W. 6th Ave, Suite 160   | October 23 - November 6<br>Election Day - November 7                             | M-F<br>Tu               | 8 am - 5 pm<br>8 am - 8 pm                                | House Districts<br>1-40      |
| Anchorage International<br>South Terminal Information Booth<br>Ground Transportation Lobby           | Election Day - November 7  | Tu                      | 7 am - 8 pm   | House Districts<br>1-40      |
| Anchorage Regional Election<br>Office, Ram Building<br>2525 Gambell St., Suite 100<br>(907) 522-8683 | October 23 - November 6<br>November 4<br>November 5<br>Election Day - November 7 | M-F<br>Sat<br>Sun<br>Tu | 8 am - 5 pm<br>10 am - 4 pm<br>noon - 4 pm<br>7 am - 8 pm | House Districts<br>1-40      |
| Anchorage<br>University of Alaska Anchorage<br>Student Union, 2nd Floor                              | November 6<br>Election Day - November 7  | M<br>Tu                 | 8 am - 5 pm<br>7 am - 8 pm                                | House Districts<br>1-40      |
| Aniak<br>(Kuspuk School District Office)   | October 23 - November 7  | M-F                     | 8:30 am - 4:30 pm   | House District 6             |
| Chalkyitsik<br>Lois Verney Residence   | October 23- November 7   | Daily                   | 1 pm - 5 pm   | House District 6             |
| Delta Junction<br>(Alaska Court System)  | October 23 - November 7  | M-F                     | 8 am - 4:30 pm  | House Districts<br>6, 12     |
| Denali Borough Clerk's Office  | October 23 - November 7  | M-Th                    | 9 am - 4 pm   | House District 8             |
| Fairbanks International Airport  | Election Day - November 7  | Tu                      | 7 am - 8 pm   | House Districts<br>1-40      |
| Fairbanks<br>Wood Center   | Election Day - November 7  | Tu                      | 7 am - 8 pm   | House Districts UAF,<br>1-40 |
| Fairbanks Regional Election<br>Office<br>675 7th Avenue, Suite H3                                    | October 23 - November 6<br>November 4<br>November 5<br>Election Day - November 7 | M-F<br>Sat<br>Sun<br>Tu | 8 am - 5 pm<br>10 am - 4 pm<br>noon - 4 pm<br>7 am - 8 pm | House Districts<br>1-40      |
| Galena City Clerk's Office   | October 23 - November 7  | M-F                     | 8 am - 4:30 pm  | House District 6             |
| Glennallen<br>(Alaska Court System)  | October 23 - November 7  | M-F                     | 8 am - 4:30 pm  | House Districts<br>6, 12     |
| Juneau International Airport   | Election Day - November 7  | Tu                      | 7 am - 8 pm   | House Districts<br>1-40      |
| Juneau - Valley<br>Elections Office - Region I<br>9103 Mendenhall Mall Rd. Suite 3<br>(907) 465-3021 | October 23 - November 6<br>November 4<br>November 5<br>Election Day - November 7 | M-F<br>Sat<br>Sun<br>Tu | 8 am - 5 pm<br>10 am - 4 pm<br>noon - 4 pm<br>7 am - 8 pm | House Districts<br>1-40      |
| Juneau - Downtown<br>Key Bank  | October 23 - November 6<br>Election Day - November 7                             | M-F<br>Tu               | 10 am - 4:30 pm<br>10 am - 4:30 pm                        | House Districts<br>1-40      |
| Ketchikan International Airport  | Election Day - November 2  | Tu                      | 7 am - 8 pm   | House Districts<br>1-40      |
| Lake Louise<br>Victoria Dawson   | October 23 - November 7  | M-F                     | 9 am - 5 pm   | House District 12            |

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|  |  |                         |   |                                   |
|--|--|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Livengood<br>Vicky Paddock   | October 23 - November 7  |                         | Daily as needed   | House District 6                  |
| Matanuska-Susitna<br>Borough Office  | October 23 - November 7  | M-F                     | 8 am - 5 pm   | House District 12                 |
| McGrath<br>City Clerk's Office   | October 23 - November 7  | M-F                     | 9 am - 5 pm   | House District 6                  |
| Nenana City Office   | October 23 - November 7  | M-F                     | 8 am - 5 pm   | House District 6                  |
| Nome Regional Election<br>Office<br>103 E. Front Street  | October 23 - November 6<br>November 4<br>November 5<br>Election Day - November 7 | M-F<br>Sat<br>Sun<br>Tu | 8 am - 5 pm<br>10 am - 4 pm<br>noon - 4 pm<br>8 am - 8 pm | House Districts<br>1-40           |
| Palmer<br>Matanuska-Susitna<br>Borough Office  | October 23 - November 6  | M-F                     | 8 am - 5 pm   | House Districts<br>12,13,14,15,16 |
| Paxson Lodge<br>Theresa Eldridge   | October 23 - November 7  |                         | Daily as needed   | House District 12                 |
| Prudhoe Bay (Deadhorse)<br>North Slope Service<br>Area 10 Hotel  | November 4 - November 6<br>Election Day - November 7                             | F-M<br>Tu               | 8 am - 8 pm<br>8 am - 8 pm                                | House Districts<br>1-40           |
| Rampart<br>Sara Evans Residence  | October 23 - November 7  |                         | Daily as needed   | House District 6                  |
| Sitka Airport  | Election Day - November 2  | Tu                      | 7 am - 8 pm   | House Districts<br>1-40           |
| Soldotna (Kenai Peninsula)<br>Assembly Chambers  | October 23 - November 6<br>November 4<br>November 5<br>Election Day - November 7 | M-F<br>Sat<br>Sun<br>Tu | 8 am - 5 pm<br>10 am - 4 pm<br>noon - 4 pm<br>7 am - 8 pm | House Districts<br>1-40           |
| Tok<br>Alaska Court System   | October 23 - November 7  | M-F                     | 8 am - 4:30 pm  | House District 6                  |
| Valdez<br>City of Valdez   | October 23 - November 7  | M-F                     | 8 am - 4:30 pm  | House District 12                 |
| Wasilla<br>Matanuska-Susitna<br>Elections Office<br>North Fork Professional Bldg<br>1700 E. Bogard Road, Suite B102<br>Wasilla, Alaska 99654<br>(907) 373-8952 | October 23 - November 6<br>November 4<br>November 5<br>Election Day - November 7 | M-F<br>Sat<br>Sun<br>Tu | 8 am - 7 pm<br>10 am - 4 pm<br>noon - 4 pm<br>7 am - 8 pm | House Districts<br>12,13,14,15,16 |

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## Polling Place Changes

| <u>District/Precinct</u> | <u>Precinct Name</u> | <u>Old Address</u>   | <u>New Address</u>  |
|--------------------------|----------------------|--|---|
| 06-510                   | Aniak Lodge          | Aniak Lodge  | Aniak Community Hall  |
| 06-560                   | Galena               | Galena Community Hall  | Galena City Hall  |
| 06-565                   | Grayling             | Hee Yea Lingde Corporation Bldg                                | Grayling Community Hall                                       |
| 09-350                   | Fairbanks No. 7      | JP Jones Community Center<br>2400 Rickert St.<br>Fairbanks, AK | Love Social Services<br>2316 S. Barnette St.<br>Fairbanks, AK |

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## IDENTIFICATION NEEDED AT ALL POLLING LOCATIONS

Voters **MUST** be prepared to show one form of identification such as:

- Voter ID Card
- Driver's License
- State Identification Card
- Passport
- Military ID Card
- Birth Certificate
- Hunting or Fishing License
- Other current or valid photo ID

Other forms of identification you may present,  
that **MUST** include your name and current address, are:

- Current Utility Bill
- Government Check
- Or, Other Government Document
- Bank Statement
- Pay Check

**If you do not have identification,  
you will be asked to vote a Questioned Ballot.**

# **Candidates For Elected Office**

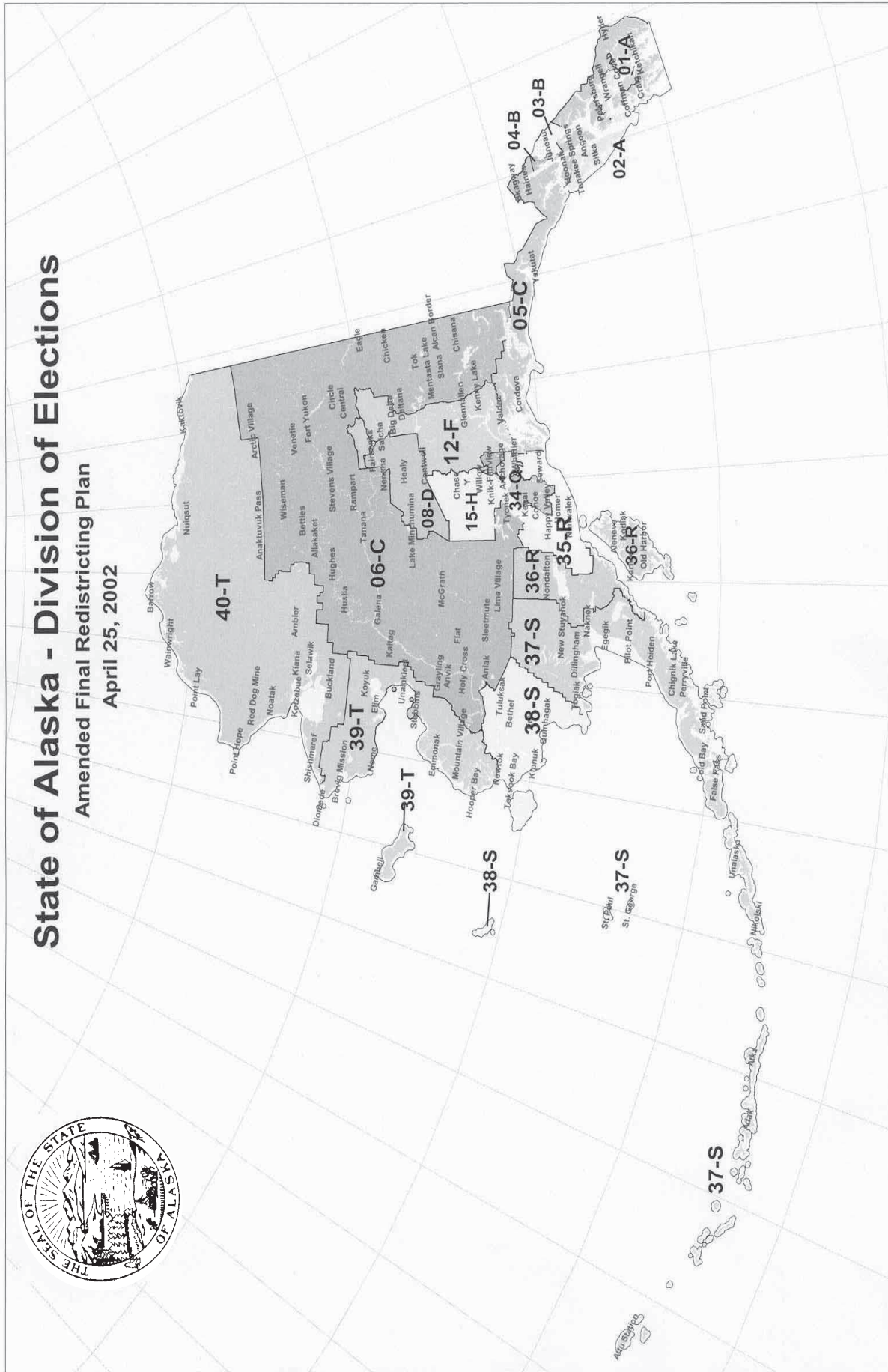
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## Amended Final Redistricting Plan

April 25, 2002





# Candidates for Elected Office

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## Election Day is Tuesday, November 7, 2006

### United States House of Representatives

Diane E. Benson, Democrat

Alexander Crawford,\* Libertarian

Eva L. Ince,\* Green

William W. "Bill" Ratigan, Impeach Now!

Don Young, Republican

### Governor and Lieutenant Governor

Andrew J. Halcro and Fay Von Gemmingen, Independent

Tony Knowles and Ethan A. Berkowitz, Democrat

David M. Massie,\* Green

Sarah H. Palin and Sean R. Parnell, Republican

William S. "Billy" Toien and Robert D. Mirabal, Libertarian

Don R. Wright and Douglas L. Welton, Alaskan Independence

### Alaska State Senate

#### SENATE DISTRICT D

David P. Braun, Green

Ralph C. Seekins, Republican

Joe J. Thomas, Democrat

#### SENATE DISTRICT F

Tim Beck, Democrat

Gene Theriault, Republican

### Alaska State House

#### HOUSE DISTRICT 6

Carl Morgan Jr., Republican

Woodie W. Salmon, Democrat

#### HOUSE DISTRICT 7

Mark A. Ames,\* Green

Mike Kelly, Republican

Dave Watts, Democrat

#### HOUSE DISTRICT 8

Jason Crawford, Republican

David Guttenberg, Democrat

#### HOUSE DISTRICT 9

James A. "Jim" Holm, Republican

Scott J. Kawasaki, Democrat

#### HOUSE DISTRICT 10

Jay Ramras, Republican

#### HOUSE DISTRICT 11

John B. Coghill Jr., Republican

John E. Pile Sr., Democrat

#### HOUSE DISTRICT 12

John L. Harris, Republican

William R. "Bill" Johnson, Democrat

*\*Indicates candidate did not submit pamphlet materials, did not fulfill requirements to appear in pamphlet or failed to meet statutory filing deadlines for submission. (AS 15.58.030 and AS 15.58.060)*



STATE OF ALASKA  
OFFICIAL BALLOT  
GENERAL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 7, 2006

Completely fill in the oval ☐ opposite the name of each candidate or question for whom you wish to vote.

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REPRESENTATIVE  
(vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> INCE, EVA L.               | Green        |
| <input type="radio"/> RATIGAN, WILLIAM W. "BILL" | Impeach Now! |
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VOTE BOTH SIDES

# United States Representative

## Diane E. Benson, Democrat



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**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** Lifetime

**OCCUPATION:** Published Writer, Presenter

**EDUCATION:**  
University of Alaska, M.F.A., Creative Writing, 2002;  
American Film Institute, Los Angeles, 1989; B.A. Theatre  
and Justice, 1985.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Gubernatorial Candidate, 2002.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Owner, Tleix Yeil Drama & Commentary, 2004-Present;  
Owner, Northern Stars Talent Agency, 1989-1996;  
International Cultural Coordinator, 1995-1996, Arctic  
Winter Games; Paralegal, Alaska Legal Services, 1986-  
1988; Member, Chugiak-Eagle River Chamber of  
Commerce, 1993-present; President, ANS Camp 87,  
2005-present; Member, Chugiak ABATE, 1994-present;  
Member, Healing Racism Committee, 2004-present;  
Member, Alaska Veterans Foundation, present; Member,  
Special Faculty/Presenter, National Judicial College, 2000;  
Member, NCAI, Lifetime; Member, Alaska Press Women,  
1994- 2004; Member, Alaska Film Group, 1993- 1996;  
Member, Teamster's Union, Local 959, 1974-1978, 1982-  
1983.

### SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Fishing, Dog-mushing, Motorcycling, Acting.

### OTHER:

Co-producing film - Blueberry Productions re: Elizabeth  
Peratrovich and Alaska civil rights.

### STATEMENT:

Years ago, a fair and thoughtful Nick Begich held this  
position. When he died, it was Alaska's loss. Given  
national debt, war, and economic disparities this is an  
unglamorous time to run. Nevertheless, I stand up  
because Alaskan's deserve a Representative who will:

#### Make an Ethical Commitment to the Job

I will show up for votes, and do the job; promote ending  
pay raises for Congressional delegates until average  
Americans' incomes are raised, work justly, and advocate  
with dignity for Alaska.

#### Prioritize Hospital for Veterans/Health Care for All

With 75,000 Veterans, and a large military population,  
Alaska should have a Veterans Hospital. Alaskans deserve  
affordable quality health care, and a universal health care  
system will make that possible.

#### Ensure Education/Job Opportunities

A way to keep America great is to educate. Funding  
education should be regarded as an investment, not social  
programming. Rather than out-sourcing our jobs, I will  
prefer educational funding, job training, and American  
business building.

#### Build Sustainable Industries Rather than Bridges

We must create value-added industries, responsibly  
develop resources and tourism (ensuring Alaskans benefit),  
promote new technology, and energy options. Let's learn  
from outside interests, not be owned by outside interests.  
Let's make livable wages, equal pay, and worker safety an  
expectation not compensation.

#### Defend Rights and Freedoms

I oppose laws that infringe on privacy of citizens, that  
inhibit organized bargaining, that restrict our Constitutional  
rights, that would advocate war before diplomacy, or that  
attempts to fool Americans, or prevents adequate  
discussion for good policy decision-making.

# United States Representative

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## William W. "Bill" Ratigan, Impeach Now!



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**OTHER:**

My father was mayor of my small hometown, so maybe that's where I got the political bug.

I came of age during the Vietnam/Nixon era, and progressed from protest to the conclusion that the only way to prevent future Vietnams and future Nixons, and to address such issues as poverty and racism, was through rebuilding society on socialist principles.

Arriving in Ketchikan in 1975, I got hired on the ferries. What started as a summer job became a career. From dishwasher I rose to Chief Mate, retiring two years ago. If elected, I would be one of the few congressmen who actually spent his adult life working for a living.

Along the way, I married and had one child.

As convention delegate in the militant ferry unions, I fought for international solidarity, social justice, and for a Labor Party pledged to working-class policies. I remain committed to this program.

**STATEMENT:**

If elected, on the first day of business of Congress, I will move that President Bush and Vice-President Cheney be impeached. I will continue that fight for as long as it takes.

They should be impeached for misleading the country into a military adventure that has cost over 20,000 Americans killed and maimed, and well over 100,000 Iraqis. The final cost in dollars is estimated to run to \$1,000,000,000,000 ...and beyond – there's no end.

With the federal treasury stretched to the breaking point, Bush and Congress approve huge tax cuts for the super-rich.

If elected, I would vote not one more penny for the Iraq War, or for other attempts at military conquest or intimidation against weaker nations, no matter how much oil they possess.

The assaults on democratic rights and privacy at home are equally alarming – and impeachable. Unbelievably, Bush flouts the very laws passed in the wake of the Nixon abuses, and the Congress...does absolutely nothing.

Meanwhile, the essential needs – housing, jobs, medical care, education, etc. – of the working-class, middle-class, and poor are ignored. This is where our money should be spent.

Every vote for Impeach Now! will send a powerful message of hope beyond Alaska to the rest of the country, and around the world – to the suffering people of Iraq, Palestine, and throughout the Middle East. Let it be known that even in little/huge conservative Alaska, there are people who categorically reject current U.S. policy. Every vote represents a giant victory in the forward progress of history!

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# United States House

## Don E. Young, Republican



**DATE OF BIRTH:** June 9, 1933

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Meridian, CA

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Lu Young

**CHILDREN:** Joni, Dawn  
Ten grandchildren

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**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 46 years  
Fort Yukon 1960-present  
Anchorage 1959-1960

**OCCUPATION:**  
U.S. Representative

**EDUCATION:**  
Sutter High School, 1947-1951, Diploma; Yuba Junior College, 1951-1952, AA; Chico State College, 1952-1953, 1957-1958, BA.

**MILITARY:**  
U.S. Army (41st Tank Battalion) 1955-1957, Private First Class.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
U.S. House of Representatives, 1973-present; Alaska State Senate, 1970-1973; Alaska State House 1966-1970; Mayor, Fort Yukon, 1964-1966; City Council, Fort Yukon, 1960-1964.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Alaska Executive Board, National Education Society, 1963-1967.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Elks, Lions, Masons, Shriners, Fort Yukon Mushers Association, NRA Board of Directors.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Hunting, fishing, trapping, gun collecting.

### **STATEMENT:**

As Alaska's only Representative in the 435-member U.S. House of Representatives, it is important that Alaska be represented by a proven leader who is dedicated to serve people from every region of our state.

Your continued trust and support has enabled me to serve previously as the Chairman of the House Resources Committee and currently as Chairman of the powerful Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. I am the senior Member on the Homeland Security Committee.

As Chairman, I have worked to ensure that Alaska receives adequate funding for highways and bridges, large and small airports, ports and other important infrastructure projects.

In response to the terrorist attacks on September 11th, I have taken the lead in writing several important national security bills, including the aviation security bill, the port and maritime anti-terrorist legislation, the bus security bill and the pipeline safety and security bill. These will all play a role in improving America's Homeland Security effort.

As a senior member of the House Resources Committee, which has jurisdiction over federal lands, fisheries, wildlife, energy and minerals, forests, and American Indian and Alaska Native issues. I have been a strong supporter of the ANWR legislation passed in the house this year.

Alaska's future is one of unlimited potential. We have an abundance of natural resources, wildlife and the most beautiful lands in the world. By managing our resources wisely, we can provide for a healthy environment and a diverse economy —both for ourselves and future generations.

I ask for your continued support.



# Governor

## Andrew J. Halcro, Independent



**DATE OF BIRTH:** September 20, 1964  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** San Francisco, CA  
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**CHILDREN:** Lauren, Alyssa  
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**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:**  
Anchorage 1965-present

**EDUCATION:**  
East Anchorage High School, 1982; Willamette University, 1982-1984; UAA, 1985. Professional Education: Harvard Kennedy School of Government, 2003; Harvard Business School, 2004.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Alaska State House of Representatives 1999-2003; Chairman, Transportation Committee; Co-Chairman, Community and Regional Affairs Committee; Vice Chairman, Labor & Commerce Committee; Fiscal Policy Caucus.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
President, Avis Rent A Car of Alaska, 2002-present; Director of Marketing & Sales, Avis Rent A Car of Alaska, 1990-2002; Fleet Manager, Avis Rent A Car of Alaska, 1985-1990.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Alaska State Chamber of Commerce; Anchorage Chamber of Commerce; Alaska 20/20; Out North Theater;

Small Business Development Center Advisory Board; Boys & Girls Clubs of Anchorage; Gladys Wood Elementary School PTA President.

### OTHER:

Best Majority Lawmaker, 2002 Alaska Legislative Digest; Best Business Lawmaker, 2002 Alaska Legislative Digest; Guardian Award, National Federation of Independent Business.

### STATEMENT:

After 20 years of growing a statewide family business, 4 years as a Republican Legislator and the last 3 years of writing a newspaper column on public policy, I've come to understand the dramatic impacts state government has on the communities and businesses of Alaska.

Today we are competing in a global market to sell our resources. Over the last fifteen years instead of competing we've been retreating. From tourism to commercial fishing, we have allowed large outside interests to dominate while providing reduced benefits to Alaskans.

This has been due to the state's fiscal instability and the lack of leadership.

For 12 years both Democratic and Republican Governor's have had the opportunity to fix the problem and they've failed. That is why I'm running for Governor as an Independent.

As Governor I intend to focus on three critical areas:

- **Health of Alaskans and Communities**

Health care and education, an aging population, an immigration that is driving local and state budgets higher. Confronting high rates of domestic violence, child abuse and sexual assault.

- **Health of Alaska's Economy**

A long range fiscal plan to provide economic stability. Combating the decline in oil production, high cost of rural energy and the need for alternatives. A fishing industry in need of competitive marketing and quality assurance programs. Growing tourism beyond cruise ship passengers.

- **Legislative Reforms**

Stronger ethics and disclosure laws governing public officials. Term limits and shortening the legislative session.

For specific policy proposals [www.andrewhalcro.com](http://www.andrewhalcro.com)

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# Lieutenant Governor

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## Fay Von Gemmingen, Independent



**DATE OF BIRTH:** August 9, 1946  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Anchorage, AK  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Patrick E. Von Gemmingen  
**CHILDREN:** Scott, Tamara  
Grandchildren: Ariana, Ava  
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**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 60 years  
**OCCUPATION:** Certified Public Accountant  
**EDUCATION:** High School - West Anchorage High School, 1964; College - University of Alaska, BBA Accounting, 1972; Continuing education courses - 80 hours every 2 years.  
**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Anchorage Assembly - 1995-2004, Chair 2000 & 1998;  
Alaska Municipal League - President 2003; Municipal Budget Advisory Commission Chair - 1983; Anchorage Convention & Visitors Bureau Board; Anchorage Economic Development Corporation Board.  
**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Certified Public Accountant - 1978 to present, self-employed since 1983; WCK Investments, Accountant - 1976-1978; Marion Porter, CPA - Accountant - 1975-1976; City of Anchorage - Internal Auditor 1 - 1971-1974.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Soroptimist International of Cook Inlet - President; ATHENA Society; American Society of Women Accountants - National Director; Alaska Society of CPAs - Secretary; Anchorage Estate Planning Council; Rainbow Girls - Grand Officer.

### **OTHER:**

Awards: Alaska Society of Certified Public Accounts - Public Service Award; Soroptimist International of Cook Inlet - Woman of Distinction.

### **STATEMENT:**

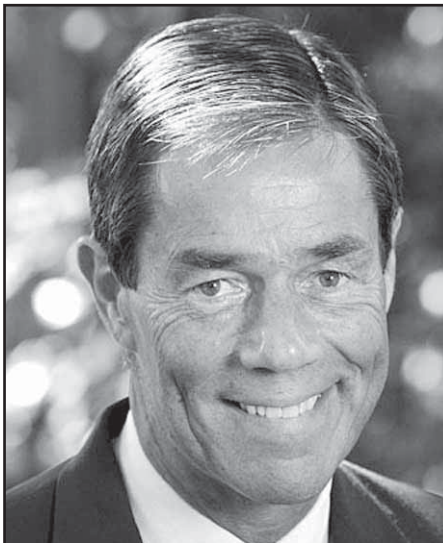
My goals as Lieutenant Governor are:

- To assure public confidence in the election process by hiring competent staff to manage Alaska's elections in a nonpartisan and efficient manner.
- To assist with developing a fiscal plan to avoid the boom and bust cycles.
- To reach out to communities so their voices are being heard at the State level. As a former Assemblymember and an activist in the Alaska Municipal League, I know the problems in our cities and towns need to be heard and solutions found. Municipal revenue sharing is necessary for the healthy survival of our communities.
- To make sure Alaska's voices are heard at the federal level, whether it is education, health care, lands, fish or the many other issues we share with the federal government.
- To help restore Alaskan's faith in State government and to find practical, common sense solutions to solve our problems.

Your vote for our ticket, an independent voice for all Alaskans regardless of their party, would be appreciated. I encourage you to go to our website, [www.andrewhalcro.com](http://www.andrewhalcro.com), for specific policy proposals and to offer your thoughts and feelings on the issues. We want to hear from you.

# Governor

## Tony Knowles, Democrat



**DATE OF BIRTH:** January 1, 1943  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Tulsa, OK  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Susan Morris Knowles  
**CHILDREN:** Devon, Luke, Sara  
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**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 38 years  
**OCCUPATION:** Partner, Downtown  
Investments Company.

**EDUCATION:**  
Yale University, AB, Economics (1968).

**MILITARY:**  
U.S. Army, 1962 to 1965, 82nd Airborne, MACV J-2  
(Military Assistance Command Vietnam, intelligence unit).

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Governor of Alaska, 1994-2002; Mayor of Anchorage,  
1982-1988; Anchorage Assembly, 1975-1979.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Partner, Downtown Investments Company; Co-  
owner/operator, Downtown Deli & Café; Owner/operator,  
Grizzly Burger, Inc.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Pew Oceans  
Commission; Boards of Directors for KAKM, March of  
Dimes, Anchorage Chamber of Commerce and Anchorage  
Convention and Visitors Bureau.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Running, skiing, sport fishing, biking, hiking.

### **STATEMENT:**

The decisions Alaskans make today can bring us positive  
benefits for the next 50 years and more – if we make the  
right choices.

#### Unite behind Alaska terms on gas line

Current high prices make a natural gas pipeline very  
profitable. We must look at all proposals to ensure we get  
the best possible deal on Alaska's terms: commitment to a  
construction timetable, access to affordable energy for  
urban and rural Alaskans, use of Alaska hire and Alaska  
businesses, and separation of oil tax changes from any  
gas line agreement.

#### Fair share of revenues

Developing Alaska's gas on our terms and a change in oil  
revenues will bring billions in revenues to Alaska. Our  
obligation with these resources is to exercise fiscal  
discipline and focus on education and public safety;  
support our communities, our military, National Guard and  
their families; and work to bring health care to all working  
families.

#### Invest surpluses in education

Alaskans deserve the highest quality education,  
accessible to all. We must fully fund our Constitutional  
commitment to education through 12th grade. But  
education starts before kindergarten and extends long  
past high school.

Surpluses should be placed in a trust fund to build pre-  
school learning programs and children's health and  
nutrition; and vocational, technical and University  
programs.

With fiscal discipline, we can make our schools the best in  
America. When Alaskans unite behind this vision, we will  
make it a reality. This should be our legacy for future  
generations; this is why I am running for Governor.

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# Lieutenant Governor

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## Ethan A. Berkowitz, Democrat



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**PLACE OF BIRTH:** San Francisco, CA  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Mara Kimmel  
**CHILDREN:** Noah 2, Hannah, 5  
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**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 16 years

**OCCUPATION:** House Democratic Leader,  
business owner, attorney.

### **EDUCATION:**

Harvard College, 1979-1983, A.B., Government and Economics; Cambridge University, 1985-1986, Masters of Philosophy, Polar Studies; University of California, Hastings College of Law, 1987-1990, J.D.

### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

House Democratic Leader, 1999-present; State Representative, 1997-present; Assistant District Attorney, Alaska Dept. of Law; Law Clerk, Alaska State Court of Appeals; Enforcement Officer, U.S. Antarctic Program.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Owner, Nunatak, LLC; Partner, EZR Co.; Part Owner, Snow City Café; Director, Institute of the North.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Board member, Boys & Girls Clubs of Anchorage; Board member (ex officio), Anchorage Economic Development Corp.; Board member, Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Fishing, hockey, travel, reading, family.

### **OTHER:**

If you have any questions about my views on issues, please call me at 907-258-2006 or e-mail me at ethanb@ethanberkowitz.com. I welcome the opportunity to hear your concerns and discuss issues with you.

### **STATEMENT:**

I believe in Alaska and the idea that it means something special to live here. I'm running for Lieutenant Governor to **Keep Alaska's Promise** – to seize the opportunities and protect the freedoms we all value, and to pursue strategies that promote self-reliant individuals and strong, healthy communities.

### **LOW COST ENERGY**

Alaska's destiny as an energy state begins with oil and a gasline, and includes developing Alaska's abundant resources to reduce unacceptably high fuel bills. Alternative energy like wind, geothermal, and biomass can bring energy security, economic opportunity and independence to Alaska's communities and Alaska's families.

### **INDIVIDUAL, QUALITY EDUCATION**

Treat each student as an individual and bring out the potential of every Alaskan at every level of education. A competitive 21st Century educational system encompasses:

- Pre-kindergarten, so kids start school ready to learn;
- K-12, including sports, arts, music and class choice beyond just the basics;
- Vocational and technical schools, so Alaskans benefit from Alaska's job opportunities;
- A university that trains Alaskans to fill teaching, nursing and needed positions, and that conducts research to help us better understand our state and use our resources wisely.

**ETHICAL, COMPETENT GOVERNMENT** honors public trust, ideals and traditions. It provides fiscal discipline to protect today's surpluses, inspires improvements in the cost and delivery of health care, and runs honest, accurate and transparent elections.

Alaskans working together created statehood, the pipeline and the Permanent Fund. That's a great legacy and a great lesson and that's why I'm confident we'll **Keep Alaska's Promise**.



# Governor

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## Sarah H. Palin, Republican



**DATE OF BIRTH:** February 11, 1964  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Idaho  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Todd Palin  
**CHILDREN:** Track, Bristol, Willow, Piper  
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Skagway 1964-1970  
Eagle River 1970-1972  
Wasilla 1972-present

**OCCUPATION:**  
Former Mayor; Former Chairman, Alaska Oil and Gas  
Conservation Commission.

**EDUCATION:**  
Wasilla High graduate, 1982; University of Idaho graduate,  
B.S. Communications - Journalism 1987.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Wasilla City Council; Wasilla City Mayor; President, Alaska  
Conference of Mayors; Alaska Municipal League Board;  
Chairman, Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission;  
Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Sigma Beta Delta Honor Society, APU; Valley Hospital  
Association Board; former American Management  
Association; Alaska Outdoor Council; Alaska Miner's  
Association; Alaska Resource Development Council; Youth  
Court Steering Committee.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Lifetime NRA Member; Iditarod PTA; former Salvation Army  
Board; Various Chambers of Commerce; Valley Youth Sports  
Coach, Hockey Team Manager; Honorary Member, Rotary.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Snowmachines; Running; Alaskan History; Biographical  
Histories of U.S. Founders; Church.

### **OTHER:**

American Public Works Association, Alaska Chapter  
"Person of the Year" Award; "Top 40 Under 40" Award.

### **STATEMENT:**

My public service as Mayor of Alaska's fastest growing  
area is a record of success that I'm eager to put to work  
statewide as your Governor. Focusing on basic  
infrastructure for our families and businesses, this  
approach greatly encouraged investment and let the  
private sector create opportunity and jobs.

My proven public service experience reflects a simple  
Alaskan philosophy: we expect effective, accountable,  
and trustworthy state government.

I propose a state agenda controlling government's reach  
with sustainable budgets, wisely developing resources,  
safeguarding our children's Permanent Fund, and  
protecting Alaska's freedoms. We do this by prioritizing and  
making our assets the best in the nation: education, job  
opportunity, public safety, and solid infrastructure will be  
our touchstones.

Together we will build an Alaskan gasline that provides  
affordable energy throughout Alaska, thus fulfilling our  
constitutional mandate to maximize resource development  
for all Alaskans. I will always put Alaskans first and will  
always take a stand for what is right.

Our traditional rights to fish and game resources are  
fundamental to our Alaskan lifestyle. My commercial and  
sport fishing family taught me a balanced perspective on  
managing resources for abundance for all and with  
increased access to our lands.

I'll lead by espousing the values of President Lincoln:  
respecting equality, encouraging competition and free  
enterprise, and honoring faith and freedom.

Join me in changing Alaska's future; working together  
we'll make a positive difference. I'm honored to offer my  
experience, energy and vision to lead Alaska with that  
new, POSITIVE approach as your Governor.

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# Lieutenant Governor

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## Sean R. Parnell, Republican



**DATE OF BIRTH:** November 19, 1962  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Hanford, CA  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Sandy  
(19 years of marriage)  
**CHILDREN:** Grace & Rachel  
**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 7840 Port Orford Drive  
Anchorage, AK 99507  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 7840 Port Orford Drive  
Anchorage, AK 99507  
**E-MAIL:** spalaska@seanparnell.us  
**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** alaskansforparnell.com  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 33 years  
Anchorage 1973-present  
**OCCUPATION:** Attorney  
**EDUCATION:**  
East Anchorage High School; Pacific Lutheran University,  
1980-1984, B.B.A.; Seattle University School of Law,  
1984-1987, J.D.  
**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Legislative Branch: State Representative, 1992-1996;  
State Senator, 1996-2000. Leadership: Senate Finance  
Co-Chair, 1999-2000. Executive Branch: Deputy Director,  
Division of Oil & Gas, DNR, 2003-2005. Other: Abbott  
Loop Community Council, 1988-1995; Bayshore/Klatt  
Community Council, 1995-2000.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Board member, Alaska State Chamber of Commerce; former Board member, Habitat for Humanity; former Board Member American Red Cross; volunteer loaned account manager to United Way-Anchorage campaign; mentor for high school youth group.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family and inspiring the youth and young at heart of Alaska to create opportunities for others. Active, outdoor sports.

### **STATEMENT:**

On a daily basis, I strive to demonstrate to our children my sincere belief in Alaska's promise as a place of hope and opportunity. I will bring that same ethic to state government. Elected officials should keep alive Alaska's promise as a place where you are judged on the merits of your abilities, and dreams are realized through hard work and dedication to purpose.

I served Alaska as a member of the House and Senate, and as Deputy Director of the Division of Oil & Gas. I balanced the budget and cut state spending. I advocated for victims of crime and domestic violence. And I voted to protect the Permanent Fund, as I believe the people should decide how those monies are handled.

The biggest issue facing Alaska is whether we can negotiate a pipeline deal that delivers on our right to receive the highest value for our shared resources. The current agreement with the producers fails the test. It inappropriately binds Alaska's taxing and regulatory authority and minimizes the state's role as a commercial party. We must do better! As Deputy Director, I represented the state in negotiations with MidAmerican and TransCanada. I know the issues. I know the players. And I know what must be done to develop a successful project.

My greatest interest is to serve the people of Alaska with integrity and provide real leadership during this critical period in our state's history.

# Governor

## William S. "Billy" Toien, Libertarian



**DATE OF BIRTH:** August 18, 1954  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Los Angeles, CA  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** C/O Alaska Dirigibles  
3705 Arctic Boulevard  
PMB 680  
Anchorage, AK 99503  
**E-MAIL:** bt4gov@hotmail.com  
**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** www.lpalaska.org  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:**  
29 years (since 1977)  
**OCCUPATION:** Concierge  
**EDUCATION:**  
Hollywood High, 1972, diploma; UAA, 1984.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Executive Committee, Alaskan Libertarian Party

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Start up CEO, Alaska Dirigibles. Hands on work experience includes: printing, bindery photo static engraving and die cutting (Golden State Paper Products), aviation manufacturing (Mercury Aerospace Fasteners, Lockheed), landscaping (Metropolitan Water District of Southern California), formulation and bottling of plant hormones and vitamins as well as promotional sales (Superthrive, Inc.), warehousing (Cadillac Plastics), custom transportation conversion which included a motor coach for Olivia Newton John (Hanger Fifty), construction and road repair (various job sites), destruction (non explosive demolition and salvage). Twenty plus years in the hotel and restaurant service industries.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Gun Owners of America; Moffett Field Historical Society; Fully Informed Jury Association; Libertarian Party; Association of Balloon and Airship Constructors; Lighter-Than-Air Society.

### **OTHER:**

Endorsed by the Alaskan Libertarian Party and HERE local 878.

### **STATEMENT:**

I'm not going to stand on a platform of blowing my own horn or on credentialism, chest beating or personality. But I will take a stand on the issues, and that's what matters, because no one else will.

I'm an ordinary working person much like yourself. I have come to understand that the structure of government is no longer for people like you and me; but is a self-serving, self-sustaining, self-replicating, all-consuming and defecating bureaucracy that is designed to serve the needs of the bureaucrats and not us, be it simply to line their own pockets, or to install their own pet social engineering programs for us to live by. It's time to turn that around now!

You can start by making your vote, count; not by supporting someone who is against what you want, but by supporting someone who is for what you want. By voting for a lesser of two evils, you only perpetuate an already corrupt system by giving it your support. The so-called two-party system is evil by its very nature, because it has become one party with two names, and is monopolistic; the difference being that this monopoly has armed enforcement agencies to make you live the way they want. Republicans govern like socialists. Democrats govern like communists.

It's time for a change. It's time to tell the bureaucrats to take a hike. It's time to take the future into your own hands. It's time for us all to reclaim ownership of our own lives.

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# Lieutenant Governor

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## Robert D. Mirabal, Libertarian



**DATE OF BIRTH:** July 1, 1966  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Riverton, WY  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 409 W. 12th #3  
Anchorage, AK 99501  
**E-MAIL:** b Robert49@hotmail.com  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 13 years  
Anchorage 1993-present  
**OCCUPATION:**  
Sous Chef, Anchorage Sheraton  
**EDUCATION:**  
Riverton High, 1984; Central Wyoming college, 1 year;  
Southern Institute of Technology; diploma.  
**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Shop steward, Local 878 H.E.R.E.  
**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Real Estate, Electronics, Car Restoration.

### STATEMENT:

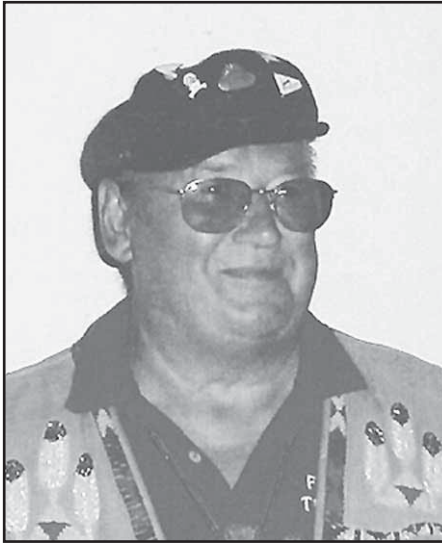
In this flourishing state there are many opportunities to improve ourselves and our community. I am a newcomer to the political process and the libertarian philosophy. With this campaign I hope to improve myself and increase my understanding of the operation of state and local government. My primary focus will be on the duties and responsibilities of Lieutenant Governor.

- Oversight of the Division of Elections
- Commissioning and Oversight of Alaska's Notaries Public
- Oversight, review and filing of Administrative Regulations
- Oversight of the use of the State of Alaska Seal
- Publishing and distribution of the Alaska Constitution
- Chairman of Alaska's Faith Based & Community Initiatives effort
- Member of the Alaska Workforce Investment Board
- Chairman of the Alaska Historical Commission

# Governor

## Don R. Wright, Alaskan Independence

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**DATE OF BIRTH:** November 24, 1929

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Nenana, AK

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Judith

**CHILDREN:** Darlene, Donald F.,  
George, Gary, Charles

**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 1314 Heldiver Way  
Fairbanks, AK 99709

**MAILING ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 61617  
Fairbanks, AK 99706-1617

**E-MAIL:** judiwright@awcable.com

**OCCUPATION:** Retired

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 76 years  
Fairbanks 1976-present  
Anchorage 1965-1975  
Fairbanks 1946-1964  
Nenana 1929-1945

**EDUCATION:**  
Main High School (Fairbanks), 1946-1947, Diploma.

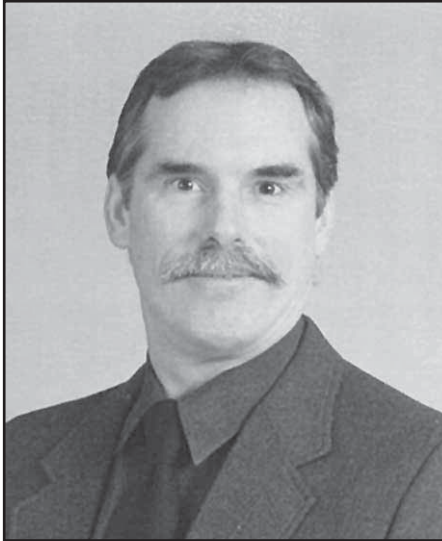
**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
President, Alaska Federation of Natives Association.,  
1970-1972; President, Bartlett Democratic Club  
(Anchorage), 1968; President Cook Inlet Native  
Association, 1967-1968.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Elks.

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# Lieutenant Governor

## Douglas L. Welton, Alaskan Independence



**DATE OF BIRTH:** December 26, 1956  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Santa Monica, CA  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Opal  
**CHILDREN:** Jeremy, Crystal and Ricky, Forest. Granddaughters: Angel and Caitlynn  
**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 510 Noble Street  
Fairbanks, AK 99701  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 510 Noble Street  
Fairbanks, AK 99701  
**E-MAIL:** dougwelton@hotmail.com  
**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** www.dougwelton.com  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:**  
Kasilof 1979  
Valdez 1979-1980  
Wetown 1980-2005  
Fairbanks 2005-2006  
**OCCUPATION:** Realtor  
**EDUCATION:**  
Mira Costa H.S., 1975.  
**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Chatanika Valley Electric Association, President, 2001-2006; member, NAR (National Association of Realtors).

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Alaska's Future, My Family, Moose Management, Real Estate, Green Building.

### **OTHER:**

I was asked to run for this office because people believe in me and know I can't be "bought". I'm running because I care about this land, this State, the young and old, rich and the poor. I care about our quality of life. More so I care about our future and the opportunity that has to be here if we are to continue to grow and prosper. As a Homesteader, I'm no stranger to hard work. I promise to work harder than any man has ever worked to make sure your voice is heard.

Vote AIP! Vote ALASKA FIRST! Vote Doug Welton!

### **STATEMENT:**

I've been in Alaska 28 years and I've been hearing the same talk about a gas line, opening ANWR, solving subsistence, and developing our resources since I got here. It's a big field with lots of big names, it's an uphill battle for sure, but nothing is more powerful than when the people get together and make it clear that enough is enough and demand that we be heard and that now and in the future we want what is best for all of us here in Alaska. The resources belong to the citizens of this State as shareholders for the common good of the people. Not for the pilfering by those that have the money to take it from us. It's time for disciplined Alaskans to hold fast to our rights and principles that made this the great place it is! Let's put Alaska First! Lets prove that it's not about who has the most money, the cutest ads, and who can kiss the most babies and shake the most hands. This is our future, let's take it back and do it right. Remember, Alaska First!



# House and Senate District Designations

Based on "Proclamation of Final Reapportionment and Redistricting" April 25, 2002

| Senate District | House District                 | House District                |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| A               | 1 Ketchikan                    | 2 Sitka/Wrangell/Petersburg   |
| B               | 3 Juneau/Downtown/Douglas      | 4 Juneau/Mendenhall Valley    |
| C               | 5 Cordova/Southeast Islands    | 6 Interior Villages           |
| D               | 7 Farmer's Loop/Steese Highway | 8 Denali/University           |
| E               | 9 City of Fairbanks            | 10 Fairbanks/Fort Wainwright  |
| F               | 11 North Pole                  | 12 Richardson/Glenn Highways  |
| G               | 13 Greater Palmer              | 14 Greater Wasilla            |
| H               | 15 Rural Mat-Su                | 16 Chugiak/Southern Mat-Su    |
| I               | 17 Eagle River                 | 18 Military                   |
| J               | 19 Muldoon                     | 20 Mt. View/Wonder Park       |
| K               | 21 Baxter Bog                  | 22 University/Airport Heights |
| L               | 23 Downtown/Rogers Park        | 24 Midtown/Taku               |
| M               | 25 East Spenard                | 26 Turnagain/Inlet View       |
| N               | 27 Sand Lake                   | 28 Bayshore/Klatt             |
| O               | 29 Campbell/Independence Park  | 30 Lore/Abbott                |
| P               | 31 Huffman/Ocean View          | 32 Chugach State Park         |
| Q               | 33 Kenai/Soldotna              | 34 Rural Kenai                |
| R               | 35 Homer/Seward                | 36 Kodiak                     |
| S               | 37 Bristol Bay/Aleutians       | 38 Bethel                     |
| T               | 39 Bering Straits              | 40 Arctic                     |



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GENERAL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 7, 2006

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REPRESENTATIVE  
(vote for one)

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GOVERNOR/LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR  
(vote for one)

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STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
DISTRICT 6  
(vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> SALMON, WOODIE W. | Democrat   |
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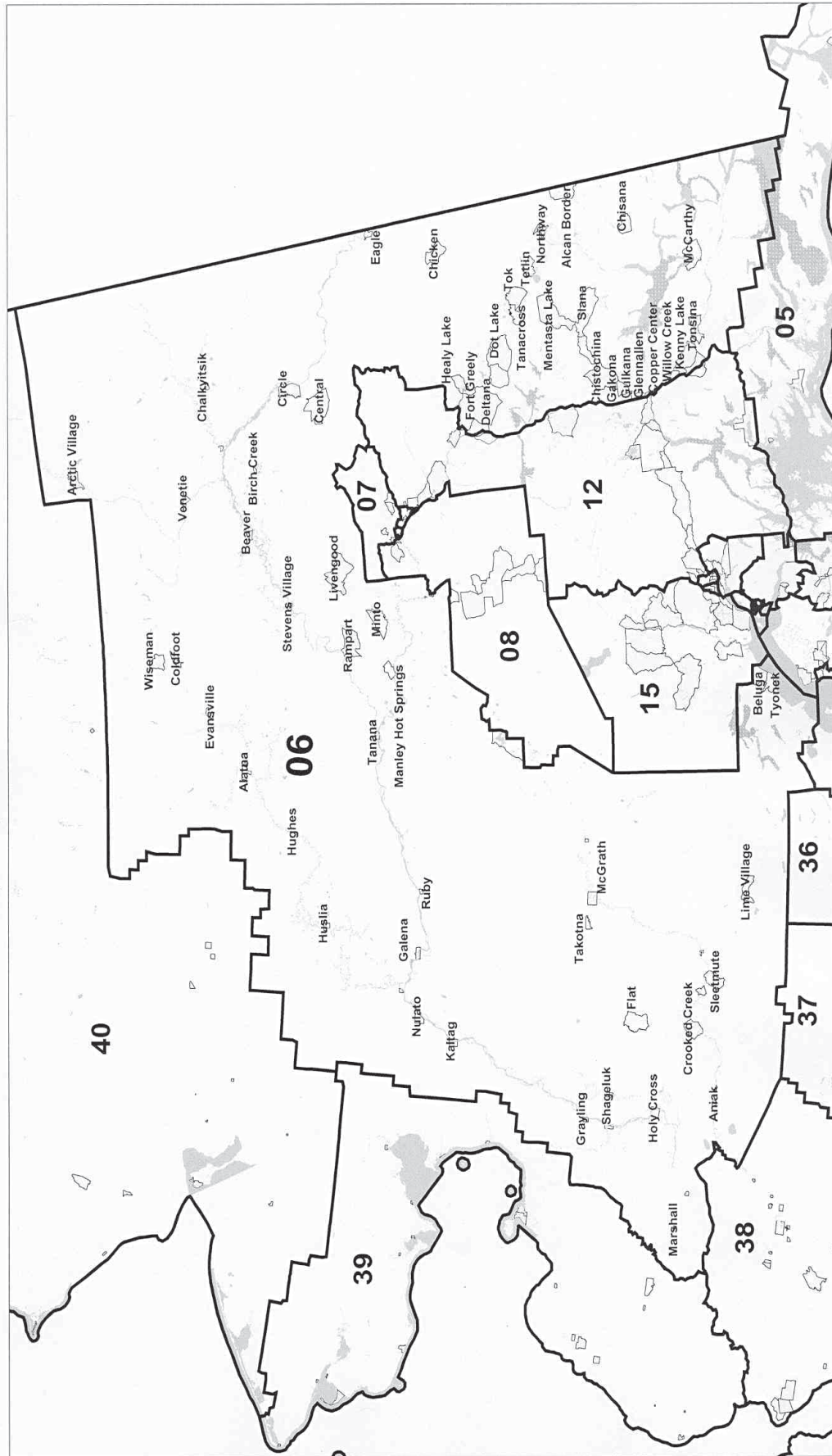


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April 25, 2002



# House District 6

## Carl Morgan Jr., Republican



**DATE OF BIRTH:** January 21, 1950

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Upper Kalskag, AK

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Angela

**CHILDREN:** Mona, Mary, Buddy (Carl),  
Fia (Sophia), Philip  
Nine grandchildren

**MAILING ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 243  
Aniak, Alaska 99557

**E-MAIL:** Carlsangie@yahoo.com

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 56 years

|               |                          |
|---------------|--------------------------|
| Aniak         | 1959-1964, 1989- present |
| Anchorage     | 1971-1989                |
| Mt. Edgecumbe | 1966-1969                |
| Wrangell      | 1964-1966                |
| Upper Kalskag | 1950-1959                |

**OCCUPATION:** Electrician

**EDUCATION:**  
Mt. Edgecumbe High School, 1966-1969, Diploma;  
Northrup Institute of Technology, 1971-1972,  
Vocational/Technical training; Electrical Apprenticeship,  
1972-1974.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
House of Representatives, 1998-2004; Sole-chair,  
Community and Regional Affairs; member: Rules  
Committee, Transportation and Public Facilities, Budget  
subcommittee, Education and Community & Economic  
Development. Member, Western Interior Federal  
Subsistence Advisory Council, 1998-present; Appointed  
by the President of United States, Member, Indian Tribal  
Colleges and Universities; and Mayor, Aniak, 1991-1996.  
Member Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Working  
Group, 1991-2000.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Board of Directors, Calista Corporation, 1991-2006;  
member, Aniak Traditional Council, 1990-2000; Executive  
Committee member, Kuskokwim Native Association,  
1991-2000.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

NRA; Interior Rivers RC&D, 1995-present; IBEW, 1972-  
1991.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family outings, hunting, fishing, boating and snow-  
machining.

### **STATEMENT:**

In my three terms I have represented the largest House  
District in the nation, encompassing 209,406 square miles.  
This is over one third of our great state. Now with the  
redistricting, if re-elected, I will represent even a larger  
district with even more diverse economic and cultural  
needs. It is a challenge, but one I consider with  
heightened responsibility.

With the vast wealth of our great state, we have  
opportunities like no other. Alaska must identify economic  
and resource potentials in the state. We need  
transportation corridors to access and support resource  
development. Pressing for and investing in alternative  
means of energy, such as natural gas and electrical inter-  
ties, to bring affordable energy to residents and allow for  
industry in rural communities is a priority. We need to  
promote and support advanced job training programs and  
create a strong Alaska work force. These investments will  
provide jobs and economy for future generations.

Education continues to be top priority, because our  
children are our most valuable resource. Our younger  
population educated and working will provide and take  
care of our elders.

My commitment to Subsistence is and remains:  
Subsistence yesterday, Subsistence today, and  
Subsistence tomorrow.

Please feel free to contact me to share your thoughts on  
issues of concern to you.

# House District 6

## Woodie W. Salmon, Democrat



### OTHER:

Born and raised in the Yukon Flats, Woodie Salmon is a Gwich'in Athabaskan who has served his community as a pilot, mayor, and village chief. Raised in Chalkyitsik, he graduated from high Lathrop High School in Fairbanks. Woodie worked on the North Slope, where he taught himself to fly, and has been a small business owner and commercial pilot for over twenty years. He currently serves as Chair of the Interior Regional Housing Authority Board.

As legislator, Woodie represents the largest House district in the United States, one that reaches from downriver Kuskokwim villages to the Canadian border. He represents his constituents on the Education, Transportation, Fisheries, and Community and Regional Affairs Committees. In his two years in Juneau, he's brought over \$170 million in capital projects to towns and villages across his district, and has sponsored a bill to create a Yukon ferry system.

### STATEMENT:

As your legislator, I'm committed to bringing a strong, independent voice for equality in funding between rural and urban Alaska. For too long, rural Alaska hasn't gotten its fair share of Alaska's great resources – even though many of those resources are located in rural Alaska. I decided to run two years ago because I have no ties to special interests: the only interests I care about are my constituent's interests.

If reelected, I'll keep working on the following goals:

- get resources for rural education so our kids have a real chance to succeed;
- build and maintain schools;
- get money for vocational training in rural Alaska;
- work to funnel jobs to rural Alaska, particularly jobs on the gasline;
- bring home the bacon: get funding for rural projects;
- work with congressional delegation and the governor's office to maintain and expand Alaska's highway system;
- protect our resources, especially our river salmon;
- make sure there are affordable, common sense housing alternatives in rural Alaska;
- support economic development possibilities for Alaskans; and
- restore the longevity bonus

Since I began work in Juneau two years ago, I've been a strong voice for residents of rural Alaska – and I always bring home the bacon. Please vote for me so I can keep representing your interests in Juneau.





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(vote for one)

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STATE SENATOR  
DISTRICT D  
(vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> SEEKINS, RALPH C. | Republican |
| <input type="radio"/> BRAUN, DAVID P.   | Green      |
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STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
DISTRICT 7  
(vote for one)

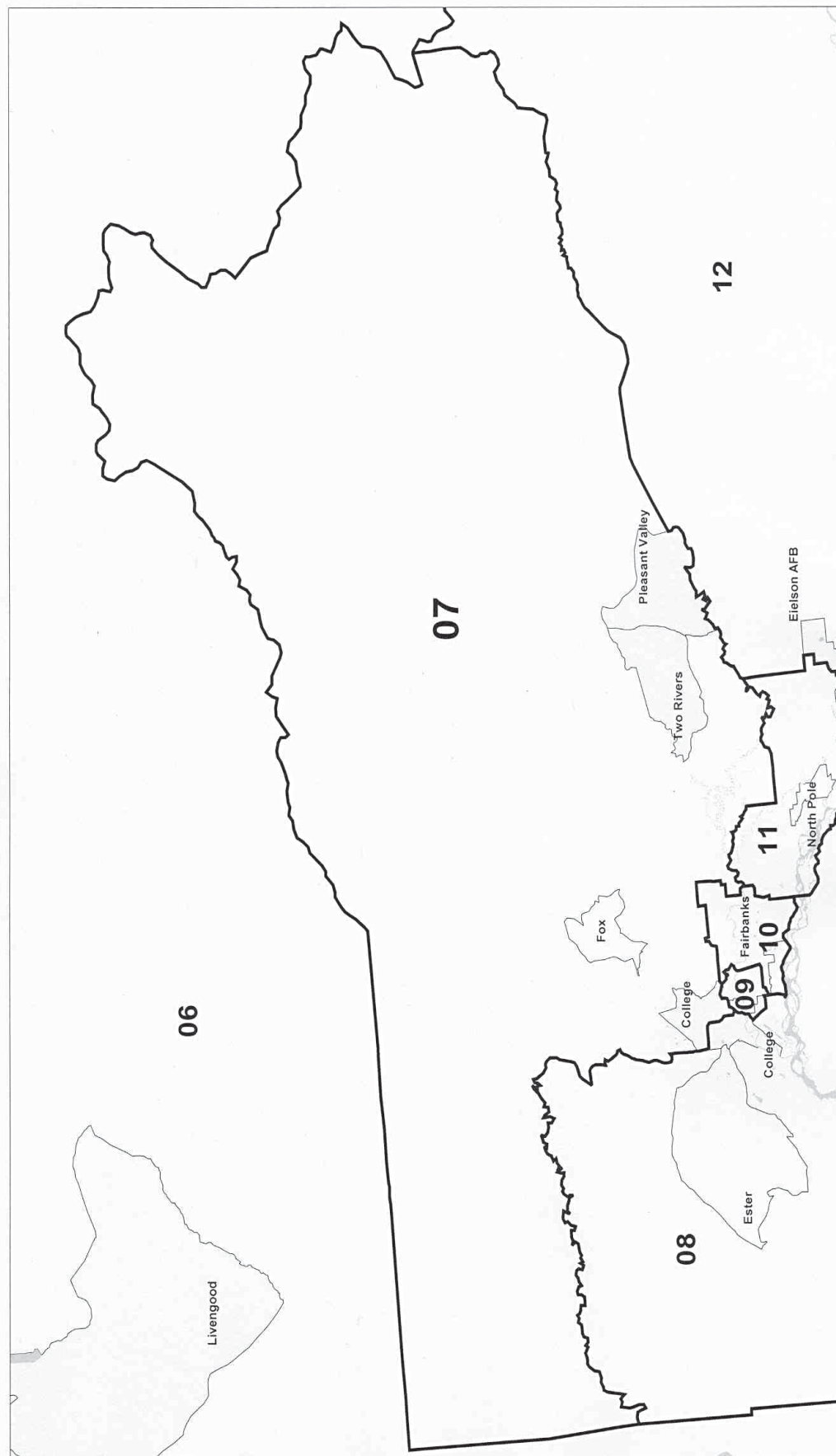
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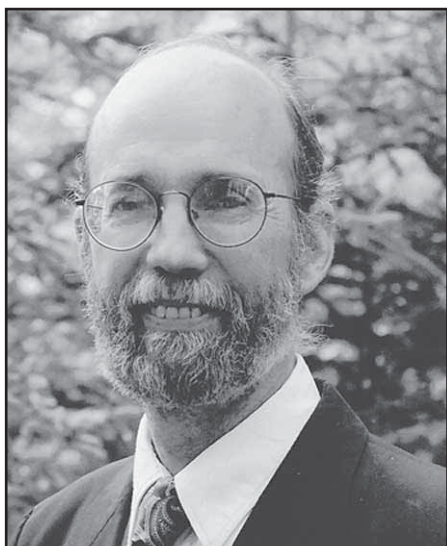
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# Senate District D

## David P. Braun, Green



**DATE OF BIRTH:** August 29, 1947  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** San Diego, CA  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Susan Sorrells Braun  
**CHILDREN:** Henry (19) and Cora (16)  
**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 5 Mile Arcturus Avenue  
Panguingue Creek  
Subdivision  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 222  
Healy, AK 99743  
**E-MAIL:** braun@mtaonline.net  
**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** www.davidbraun.info  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 28 years  
McKinley Park 1978-1989  
Panguingue Creek 1989-present.

**OCCUPATION:**  
Husband, Father, Public Interest Litigant, Motor Vehicle Operator, Laborer.

**EDUCATION:**  
B.A. Natural Science, St. John's University Collegeville, Minnesota, 1969; courses in Soil Science and Agriculture, University of Minnesota and University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

**MILITARY:**  
Drafted 1969, one tour in Vietnam.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Two terms Denali Borough Personnel Committee; Two terms Panguingue Creek Homeowners Association, board of directors; former chair of Nenana River Greens.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Denali Citizens Council, Panguingue Creek Homeowners Association; Vested member of Teamsters, Local 959.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Fighting for equal, fair, and effective representation in local governments in Alaska.

### **OTHER:**

Petitioner in attempt to decertify Teamsters Local 959 at Usibelli Coal Mine Inc.

### **STATEMENT:**

My primary goal is to hold hearings and work for legislation eliminating weighted voting, vote dilution, and minority rule in Alaska. Alaskans have been denied essential rights of equality and self determination. The State of Alaska has not enforced one-person-one-vote. The Voting Rights Act of 1965 has been used as a smoke screen for weighted voting and vote dilution in violation of Alaska Law. Alaska is under the jurisdiction of the Voting Rights Act because of discriminatory practices against minority voters, including literacy tests. The state has misrepresented clearance by the Federal Department of Justice under the VRA as providing clearance for weighted voting, but the act only guarantees representation of minority residents. Under the guise of "maximum local self government" (Article 10 of the Alaska Constitution) the State of Alaska has allowed local governments to rule without regard for the democratic process or the rule of law. Power should flow upward from the people, but authoritarians have derailed the will of the people at the local level.

I will work for full funding for education, fair compensation for our natural resources, including oil and gas, wildlife and habitat protection essential to subsistence, fishing and tourism, health care for ALL Alaskans, and renewable energy development. We must consider all gasline options and not rubber stamp the only proposal from the Governor and the oil companies.

I will also push for a constitutional convention to reduce the power of the governor and restore open, honest government.

# Senate District D

## Ralph C. Seekins, Republican



**DATE OF BIRTH:** April 1, 1945

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Duluth, MN

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Connie (married 37 years)

**CHILDREN:** Aaron, Ben, Andrea, Beth

**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 4611 Maresh Avenue  
Fairbanks, AK 99709

**MAILING ADDRESS:** 1625 Seekins Ford Drive  
Fairbanks, AK 99701

**E-MAIL:** ralph@seekins.com

**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** www.ralphseekins.com

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:**  
Fairbanks 32 years

**OCCUPATION:** Automobile Dealer

**EDUCATION:**  
Hardin (Montana) High School; Wheaton College (Illinois),  
1964-1968.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Alaska Senate, 2002-2006; Chairman - Judiciary  
Committee; Chairman - Special Committee on Natural  
Gas Development; Vice Chairman - Resources, Labor and  
Commerce, University of Alaska Oversight Committees;  
Chairman of several Senate Task Forces; Chairman -  
Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation; Numerous Local and  
Statewide Boards and Commissions.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Owner, Seekins Ford-Lincoln-Mercury; 2006 Automotive  
Hall of Fame Distinguished Service Award; 2005 TIME®  
Magazine Quality Dealer of the Year; 2002 National Ford  
Dealer Council Chairman; President Alaska Automobile  
Dealer Association.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Common Sense for Alaska, First Assembly of God  
Church, NRA, Fairbanks Rotary Club, American Quarter  
Horse Association (National Director), Alaska State Quarter  
Horse Association.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family, outdoor activities, wildlife studies, art, flying.

### **OTHER:**

1990 UAF Business Leader of the Year; 1989 News-Miner  
Community Service Award; Finisher, 1989 Yukon Quest.

### **STATEMENT:**

I have been honored to serve District D Alaskans for the  
last four years in the Senate. During that time, my staff  
and I have worked hard to be a positive force in the  
legislature. Your future and that of your children and  
grandchildren has been paramount in our efforts.

These past four years, I approached the job from a  
common sense, solid business perspective. As a result,  
we have been able to accomplish many of our goals. For  
example, we were able to:

- significantly increase education funding;
- greatly increase University funding;
- keep the State Virology Laboratory in Fairbanks with a  
brand new building soon beginning construction; and
- pass legislation that further protects your permanent  
fund.

The next four years are filled with great promise and with  
significant challenges. Oil production is declining and  
Alaska must quickly make the transition from an oil  
economy to a natural gas economy. As Chairman of the  
Senate Special Committee on Natural Gas Development, I  
am in a pivotal position to help make a natural gas pipeline  
a reality. An unbiased, business approach can assure a  
project that returns the maximum benefit for Alaskans and  
puts a maximum number of Alaskans to work.

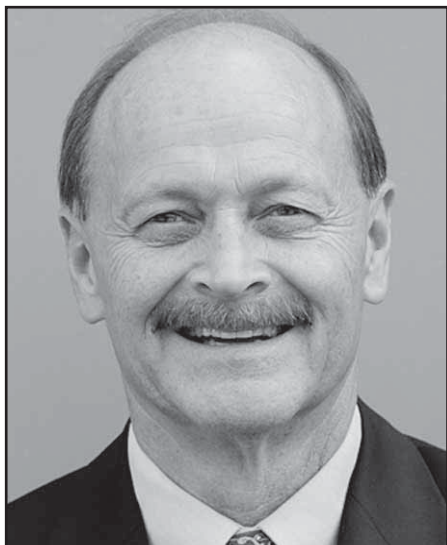
I value the trust you have placed in me and remain  
steadfast in my commitment to the men, women and  
children of Senate District D.

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# Senate District D

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## Joe J. Thomas, Democrat



**DATE OF BIRTH:** October 17, 1948

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Fairbanks, AK

**CHILDREN:** Damian, Natalie, and Ryan  
Grandchild: Devin

**MAILING ADDRESS:** 879 Vide Way  
Fairbanks, AK 99712

**E-MAIL:** joe@joethomasforsenate.com

**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** www.joethomasforsenate.com

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:**  
Fairbanks Born and raised 57 years

**OCCUPATION:**  
Union Leader and Laborer, Retired

**EDUCATION:**  
Lathrop High School; University of Alaska Fairbanks; West Virginia University, B.A. Psychology.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Educational Boards: University of Alaska Board of Regents, 1995-2003. Economic Development Boards: Fairbanks Development Authority, 1988-1992; Fairbanks Industrial Development Authority, 1988-1990; Main Street Fairbanks, 1985-1988; Resource Development Council Executive Board, 1980-1986.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Trustee - Alaska Laborer's Pension Health & Welfare, Training and Legal Trust Funds 1979-2003; Alaska State Workers Compensation Board; 1983-1990.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Youth Athletics, Golf, Boating, Fishing and Reading.

### **OTHER:**

Kids Voting Volunteer

### **STATEMENT:**

Creating good, high paying jobs for Alaskans and building opportunities for families; people talk about it, but I've done it. For over thirty years it has been my work and my passion as a union laborer and leader. I want to bring my energy, experience and expertise to our State Capitol to serve you and help grow our economy.

I was born in Fairbanks more than fifty years ago. I grew up seeing Alaska's promise; one of opportunity, cooperation and a can-do spirit. I rolled up my sleeves to build our community—from the pipeline to Fairbanks' schools. Those efforts grew our town and strengthened our economy. Working together, we can continue to wisely invest in our future.

I believe the future for Fairbanks and Alaska is bright. With the right type of leadership, we will build a gas pipeline that will benefit Alaska families for decades to come.

My priorities are:

**Economic Development**—A gas line is critical to our economy and we need one that maximizes Alaska jobs and State revenue. Cheap energy can help our local economies as well—making small business ventures more profitable and lowering our cost of living.

**Education**—When I served on the University of Alaska Board of Regents, I worked to develop a qualified work force for Alaskan jobs. I support an endowment so Alaska's children have great teachers and safe places to learn—from kindergarten through college.

**Budget**—Budget discipline and long term planning are essential to keeping our economy growing.



# House District 7

## Mike Kelly, Republican



**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Cherie, 41 years

**CHILDREN:** Roxanne, Shannon, Erin, Cecilia, James and 12 grandchildren

**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 1625 Wolverine Lane  
Fairbanks, AK 99709

**MAILING ADDRESS:** 1625 Wolverine Lane  
Fairbanks, AK 99709

**E-MAIL:** Kellys1@gci.net

**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** Kellyforak.com

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 58 years  
Fairbanks 1948-present

**OCCUPATION:**  
Former Electric Utility CEO and Commuter Airline Pilot.

**EDUCATION:**  
Monroe High, 1956-1960; Seattle University, 1960-1961;  
University of Alaska, 1961-1966 B.B.A.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
House of Representatives, 2005-2006; Member, House Finance Committee; Chair, House Finance Subcommittee for: Department of Commerce, Department of Natural Resources.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Trustee of Fairbanks Community Hospital Foundation, Denali State Bank, American Hospital Association Governance Committee, and AlasConnect. Past Chair: University Board of Regents, Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce, Monroe School Board, and Statewide Electric Utility CEO's Association.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Rotary International.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Family get-aways to our cabin. Fishing, hunting, flying and boating.

**OTHER:**  
I have the desire, the skills and the life experience to continue to make a positive impact on the future of Alaska.

### STATEMENT:

Cherie and I grew up, graduated University and raised our family in Fairbanks. I've trucked your fuel, helped keep your lights on as CEO of GVEA and most recently carried passengers, mail and freight to the Bush as a pilot for Tanana Air Service. Community involvement is my way of life. Faith and family are important in my life: they center me and teach me to listen.

I am conservative and a passionate believer in the bright future of Alaska. I am wary of government, while understanding the greatness of our system. I believe in striving for accountability, honesty and efficiency in government. Alaska is brimming with potential, yet our youth must often seek life's work and happiness elsewhere. At the time of statehood our leaders recognized that we Alaskans were few in this vast land. They understood the cost of government and infrastructure could not be borne on so few backs. Development of Alaska's resources would be key to our prosperity. That was true at statehood - it is true today. To tame our spending habit we need a sustainable long-term fiscal policy that includes a constitutional spending limit.

I believe access, multiple use and helping the other guy IS at the heart of the Alaskan way. Effective game management is hard science, not politics; and it moves toward plenty, away from scarcity. It has been an honor and privilege serving you during the 24th Legislature and I'm ready to go another round if you'd like.

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# House District 7

## Dave Watts, Democrat

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**DATE OF BIRTH:** 1947

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Portland, OR

**CHILDREN:** Henry, Thomas  
Grandchildren: Justyn,  
Briana, Skyler

**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 229 Madcap Lane, Apt. #2  
Fairbanks, AK 99708

**MAILING ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 81837  
Fairbanks, AK 99708

**E-MAIL:** hdtvwatt@acsalaska.net

**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** www.friendsofdavewatts.org

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 38 years

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|------------|--------------------------------------|
| Soldotna   | 1968                                 |
| Fairbanks  | 1968-1969, 1971-1974<br>1995-present |
| Unalakleet | 1974                                 |
| Nenana     | 1974-1980, 1981-1995                 |
| Anchorage  | 1981                                 |

**OCCUPATION:** Water Plant Operator

**EDUCATION:**  
Franklin High School 1961-1965; Oregon State University  
1965-1968, UAF 1968-1969, UAF 1971-1974, BS  
Biology.

**MILITARY:**  
U.S. Army, 1969-1971, 23 months, Specialist 4th Class.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
President Alaska Water Management Association, 1980.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Chena Kiwanis, President 2000, Secretary 2001, 2002.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

I have managed the Fairbanks ACS Phone Book Delivery for the last six years. This project of Chena-Kiwanis provides funding for more than twenty youth groups and non-profits every year. It is an example of what volunteers working together can do to improve our community.

### **STATEMENT:**

I've been working for wages since I was sixteen and a Union member much of that time. I've lived, worked and visited throughout Alaska. I have been a miner, utility operator, commercial fisherman, small business owner and unemployed. I have experienced the problems that our wage earners and rural poor face. State government does not create all of those problems, but it contributes to some. State government cannot solve all of those problems, but it can help with some.

I am a candidate for office because I believe that Alaska will benefit when the common people are represented in the Legislature. We have an abundance of natural resources that must be developed responsibly for the benefit of Alaskans. The State government is currently debating how to develop some of those resources and the wage earners are not well represented in the debate.

We must move beyond our resource extraction economy to provide a bright future for Alaska. Our educational system is the tool that will create that future and prepare Alaskans to benefit from it. The common people have not been adequately represented in debates over the future of our educational system. The result has been decisions that benefit a narrow range of Alaskans and can cripple our educational system. I want to represent the interests of the common people of Alaska. "Together We Can" create a bright future.



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DISTRICT D  
(vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> SEEKINS, RALPH C. | Republican |
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STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
DISTRICT 8  
(vote for one)

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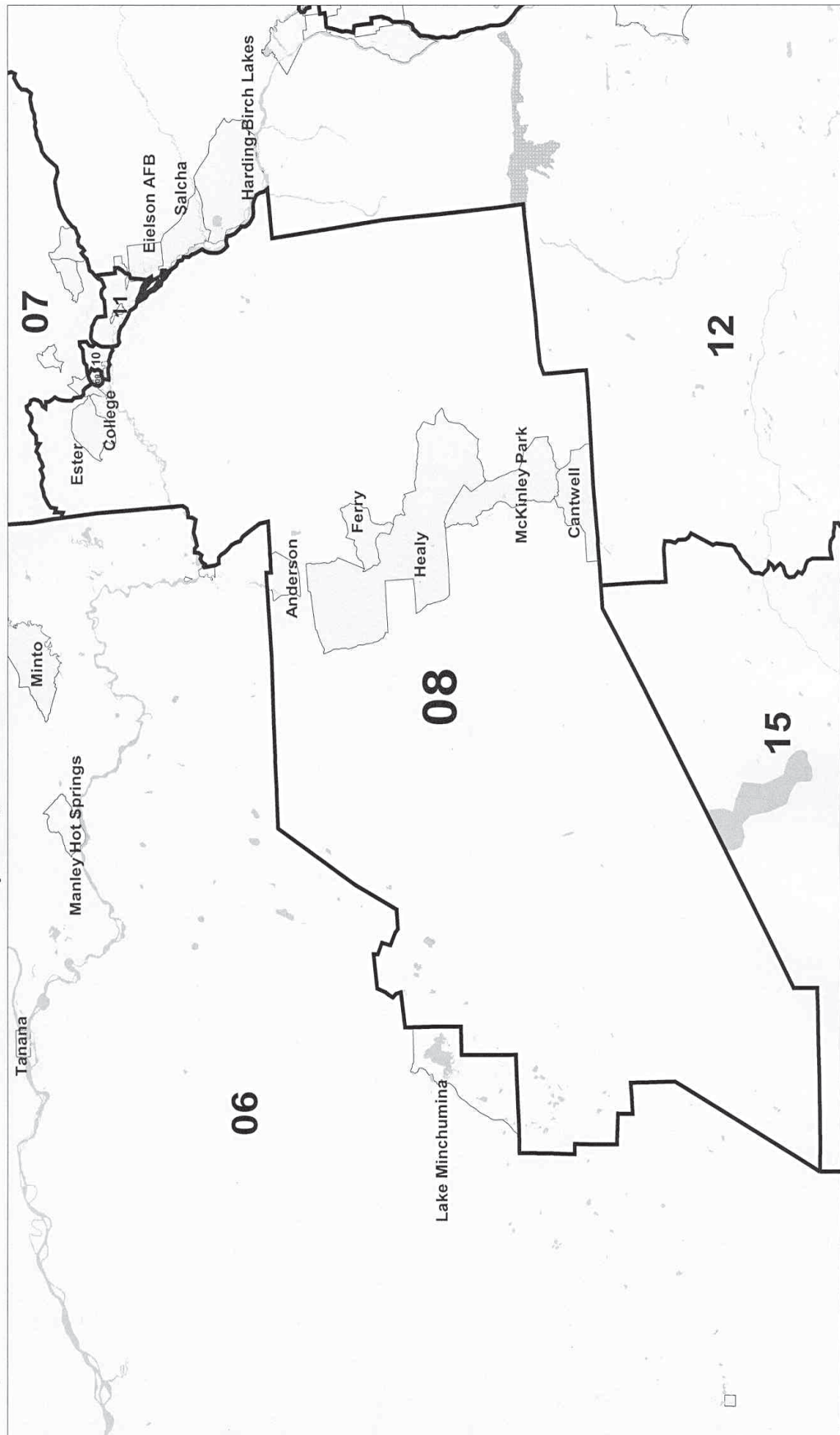


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## District 08

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# House District 8

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## Jason Crawford, Republican



**DATE OF BIRTH:** April 16, 1970  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Anchorage, AK  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Beckie  
**CHILDREN:** Whitney, Marisa, Savannah,  
Spencer, Cheyenne,  
Madelynne  
**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 4655 Drake Street  
Fairbanks, AK 99709  
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Fairbanks, AK 99708  
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**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** www.JasonCrawford2006.com

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 25 years  
Anchorage 1970-1972, 1984-1985,  
1987  
Big Lake 1983-1984  
Cantwell 1985, 1986  
Fairbanks 1986, 1988-present

**EDUCATION:**  
Lathrop, 1988; University of Alaska Fairbanks, 1991-1993,  
1997, A.A.; Brigham Young University, 1993-1995, 1997-  
1998, Bachelor of Arts - International Relations; Law  
School BYU, 1998-2001, Juris Doctor.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Delegate - Republican State Convention, 2006.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Superior Court Law Clerk, 2001-2002; Federal District  
Court Law Clerk, 2002-2004; Assistant Attorney General,  
2004-2005; Owner-Crawford Law Offices, LLC, 2005-  
present.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Skiing, Soccer, running.

### **OTHER:**

In 1989 I helped clean up the Valdez Oil Spill and saw firsthand the damage done by lack of industry oversight. I worked in the Alaska tourism industry, 1992-1999, and escorted thousands of visitors across the state from Prudhoe Bay to Skagway. While attending an International Law class at UAF in 1997, I decided to get my law degree, and later returned to practice in Fairbanks.

### **STATEMENT:**

My fellow Alaskans,  
What an exciting time to be an Alaskan---the future  
abounds with great opportunities!

Within District 8, stretching from West Fairbanks to Cantwell, we have a world renowned university, complete with cutting-edge research facilities, superb K-12 educational and extra-curricular opportunities for our children, an international airport, a National Park, access by road and the Alaska Railroad, a military base at Clear, a massive coal mine in Healy, and an abundance of resources and sights which attract many visitors and investors.

Certainly, our state faces serious future challenges. A gasoline contract is vital. Fiscal discipline is necessary. From oil and gas taxes to subsistence, we need to be certain we set proper structures in place the first time, while being efficient and speedy enough to prevent opportunities from passing us by.

Education will require additional funding. We need the best Public employees---those jobs should attract and keep our most talented and experienced!

Unique ideas and fresh perspectives are needed in Juneau. Having lawmakers actually trained in the law is a smart first step. Having lawmakers who are accessible and open to listening to your ideas and addressing each one is even more important.

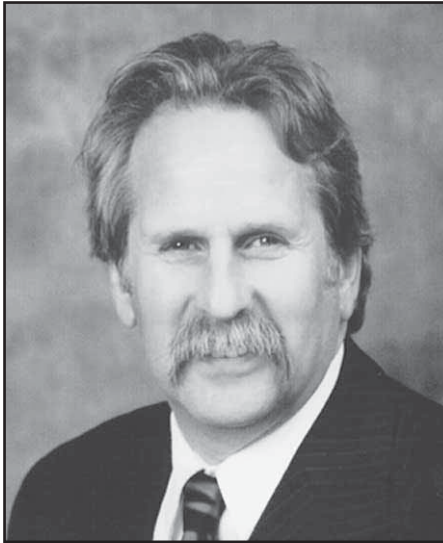
Although there are no simple solutions, my solid training in the law, my experience working and living in Interior Alaska, along with my education, experience, and problem-solving abilities will bring a new level of competency and honesty to Juneau. With your vote this November, I will work diligently and conscientiously toward securing Alaska's future!

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# House District 8

## David Guttenberg, Democrat



**DATE OF BIRTH:** May 26, 1951  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** New York, NY  
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Fairbanks, AK 99708  
**E-MAIL:** davidg@mosquitonet.com  
**WEBSITE:** davidguttenberg.com  
**OCCUPATION:** Retired construction worker  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 36 years  
Fairbanks 1970 through today

**EDUCATION:**  
Springfield Gardens High School, 1969; Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, 1970; AFL-CIO Organizing Institute, 1993.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Former Commissioner, Chena Goldstream Fire and Rescue; Former Borough Road Service Commissioner; Board Member, Borealis Community Land Trust; Past Chair, Alaska Democratic Party; Past Member, Democratic National Committee for Alaska; Current House Minority Whip; House Labor and Commerce Committee; House Rules Committee; House Oil and Gas Committee; Finance Subcommittee, University of Alaska; Finance Subcommittee, Department of Natural Resources; Finance Subcommittee, Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Alaska Legislative Staff, 1991, Finance, 1999-2002; Alaska Laborers Political Education Committee; Past Political Director, Fairbanks Central Labor Council; Juneau Capitol Planning Committee; Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission.

### SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:

Civil Air Patrol; National Legislative Association Of Prescription Drug Prices, Member; State Automotive Enthusiasts Leadership Caucus.

### SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Dogs, fly fishing, Chitina dip netting, gardening, sculpture, drawing, reading.

### STATEMENT:

The strength of Alaska lies in its people. We must develop our resources for the maximum benefit of all who call Alaska home. We must forge a strong economy that provides good jobs, quality education, and services the people need and deserve. Adoption of a long range fiscal plan is crucial for a stable future: a plan that represents the broad spectrum of interests in our community and protects the Permanent Fund dividend.

**Education:** I will continue to work to increase school funding in order to provide our children with the highest quality education. Our children are our greatest resource; we must give them the tools to succeed.

**The University:** I support funding the University above the Regents' requested level. We must dream big and we need to sustain programs and promote new initiatives that attract students and faculty to keep Alaska moving forward.

**Natural Resources:** We must develop our resources using sound responsible principles that meet our constitutional obligation for the maximum benefit for Alaska. Building a gas line must provide economic opportunities for all Alaskans. I am very strong on "local hire."

**Alaska's Families:** Families are healthy and strong when they have good jobs with health benefits. I am pro-choice.

*"The moral test of government is how it treats those who are in the dawn of life, the children; those who are in the twilight of life, the aged; and those who are in the shadow of life, the sick, the needy and the handicapped."* Hubert Humphrey

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STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
DISTRICT 9  
(vote for one)

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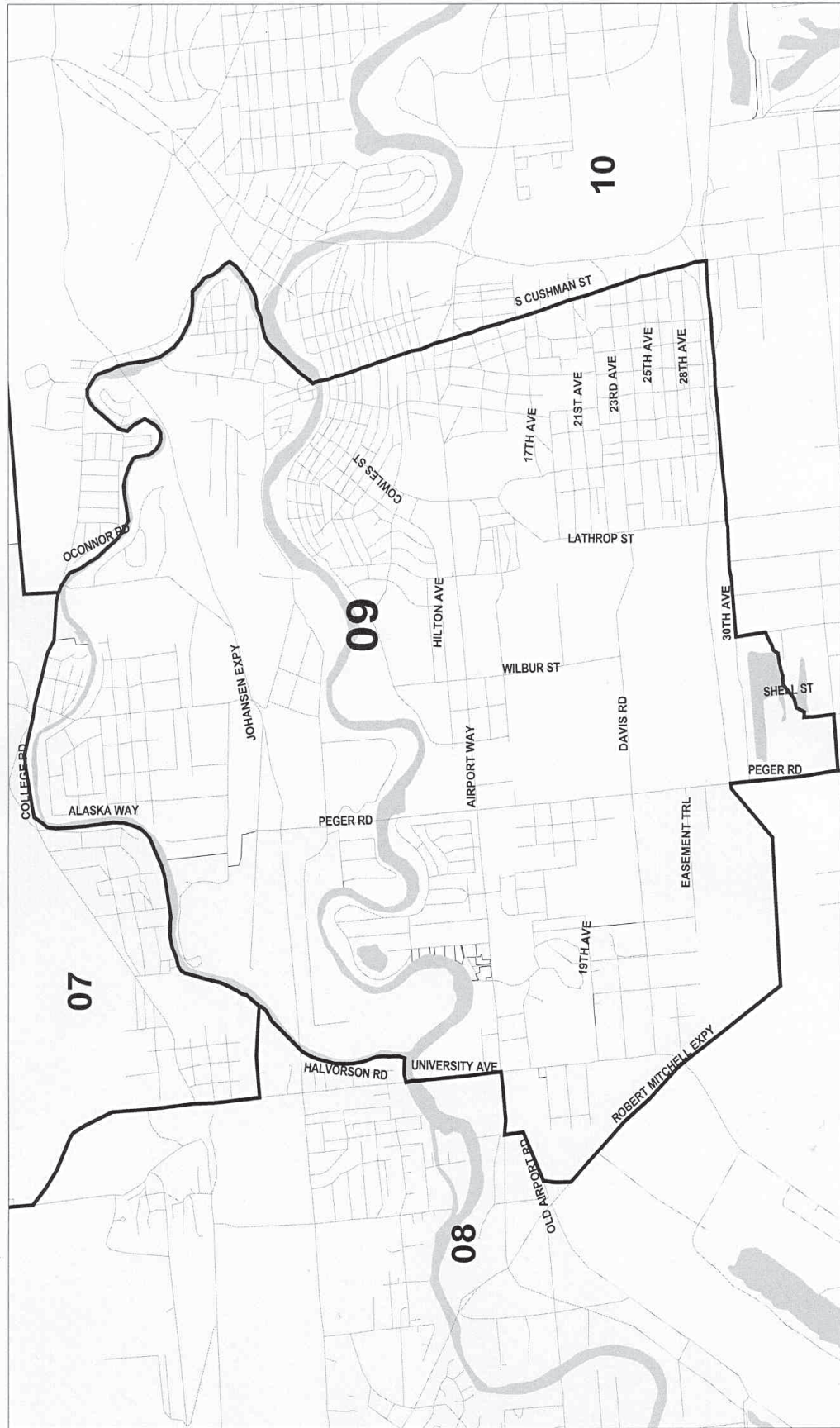


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## District 09

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# House District 9

## James A. "Jim" Holm, Republican



**DATE OF BIRTH:** July 15, 1945

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Glendale, CA

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Marcia

**CHILDREN:** Denyse, Tamara, Greg, Shanon, Sam

**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 1041 Gilmore Street  
Fairbanks, AK 99701

**MAILING ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 71565  
Fairbanks, AK 99707

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**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 60 years  
Fairbanks 1946-present

**OCCUPATION:** CEO (Holm Town Nursery, Inc.)

**EDUCATION:**  
Lathrop High School, 1960-1963, Diploma; University of Alaska, 1964-1990.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly, 1999-2001;  
House Representative District 9, 2002-2006.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
College Rotary Club-Treasurer; Greater Fairbanks Hospital Foundation-Trustee; Alaska Farm Bureau Century Club.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
American Association of Nurseryman; Association of Landscape Contractors of America; Association of General Contractor; Rotary Club of Fairbanks; Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce; Association of United States Army; Air Force Association.

### SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Fairbanks Light Opera Theatre; Fairbanks Drama Association; Fairbanks Concert Association; Fairbanks Symphony Association; Tanana Valley State Fair Association; Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival; Fishing, Bowling, Singing, Reading.

### OTHER:

Boys and Girls Club; Boy Scouts of America; Alaska Bird Observatory; Food Bank; Love, Inc.

### STATEMENT:

As a life-long Alaskan, I was privileged to grow up in Fairbanks on our family homestead. With our work ethic and the help of wonderful neighbors, today, Marcia and I have a good business and a great family. During my two terms as your District 9 Representative, I've tried to assist in the growth of Fairbanks by keeping alive the pioneering spirit of our forefathers and by doing all that I can to protect our economic freedoms and personal liberties.

As a member of the House Finance Committee, it has been my goal to be careful with your money. In our good times, we have tried to catch up with huge unfunded maintenance needs of Alaskan infrastructure. During my terms, I have worked for increased funding for education, deferred maintenance of facilities and construction of new needed facilities. I've supported restraint and believe in showing compassion for those who cannot help themselves by offering a hand up, instead of a hand out.

Today we have huge challenges ahead of us. I believe your legislature must remain prudent, practical, and visionary.

My faith, my family, and my hope for a continued great Alaska, guides my efforts. I believe Fairbanks needs strong, principled, thoughtful and capable leaders, now more than ever. We must balance our needs with our wants and we must look forward, remembering and learning from our past mistakes.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you. Your vote and continued support will be greatly appreciated.

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# House District 9

## Scott J. Kawasaki, Democrat



**DATE OF BIRTH:** March 20, 1975

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Tokyo, Japan

**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 2008 Carr Avenue  
Fairbanks, AK 99709

**MAILING ADDRESS:** 2008 Carr Avenue  
Fairbanks, AK 99709

**E-MAIL:** scott.kawasaki@gmail.com

**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** www.scottforhouse.com  
www.myspace.com/alaskascott

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 26 years  
Fairbanks 1980-present

**OCCUPATION:**  
Emergency Room Admissions Clerk; Fairbanks Memorial Hospital.

**EDUCATION:**  
Lathrop High School, 1989-1993, Diploma;  
University of Alaska Fairbanks, 1993-1999, B.S.  
Biomedicine.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Fairbanks City Council, Councilman: 1999-2005;  
Legislative Aide to Rep. Tom Brice (D-Fairbanks), 1998.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce, member; 2001-present.

### SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:

Fairbanks Symphony Association, Board Member: 2002-2005; Volunteers in Policing, Board Member: 2000-2004; Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Big Brother: 1999-2004; National Rifle Association, Lifetime Member; Fairbanks Goldenheart Rotary Club, Charter Member: 2004-present; Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Founding Father and Board Member: 1993-present; American Council of Young Political Leaders: 2003-present.

### SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Family and friends, arts and music, fishing, hiking, camping, literature, writing, computers, Nanook Hockey.

### STATEMENT:

I am optimistic about Alaska's future. We have a state with immense wealth and potential. We have bountiful natural resources, a promising gas pipeline project, a first-class University and K-12 system, a \$34-billion Permanent Fund and some of the finest people to complete our Golden Heart community.

Now we need the kind of leadership that will dream big, act boldly and get the job done for Fairbanks while in the State House.

First, I will work hard to build a gas pipeline and develop our natural resources on Alaska's terms. Any natural gas pipeline must be built by Alaska labor, routed through Fairbanks and allow for us to cut our energy costs. A pipeline done the right way can produce a new industry for Fairbanks.

Second, I will protect the PERMANENT Fund Dividend for our future families. The dividend infuses millions of dollars into the state economy and creates hundreds of jobs. Taking this source of income away from the people is irresponsible and destructive to our future.

Third, I will make Fairbanks a priority. The politicians in Juneau cut the longevity bonus to seniors, cut municipal revenue sharing that kept property taxes low and gutted KUAC and public broadcasting. Then they passed the largest state budget in history.

As a Councilman for six years, I worked hard to make Fairbanks a great place to live, work and play. As your representative, I will represent the people of Fairbanks First with the honor and integrity you deserve.





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STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
DISTRICT 10  
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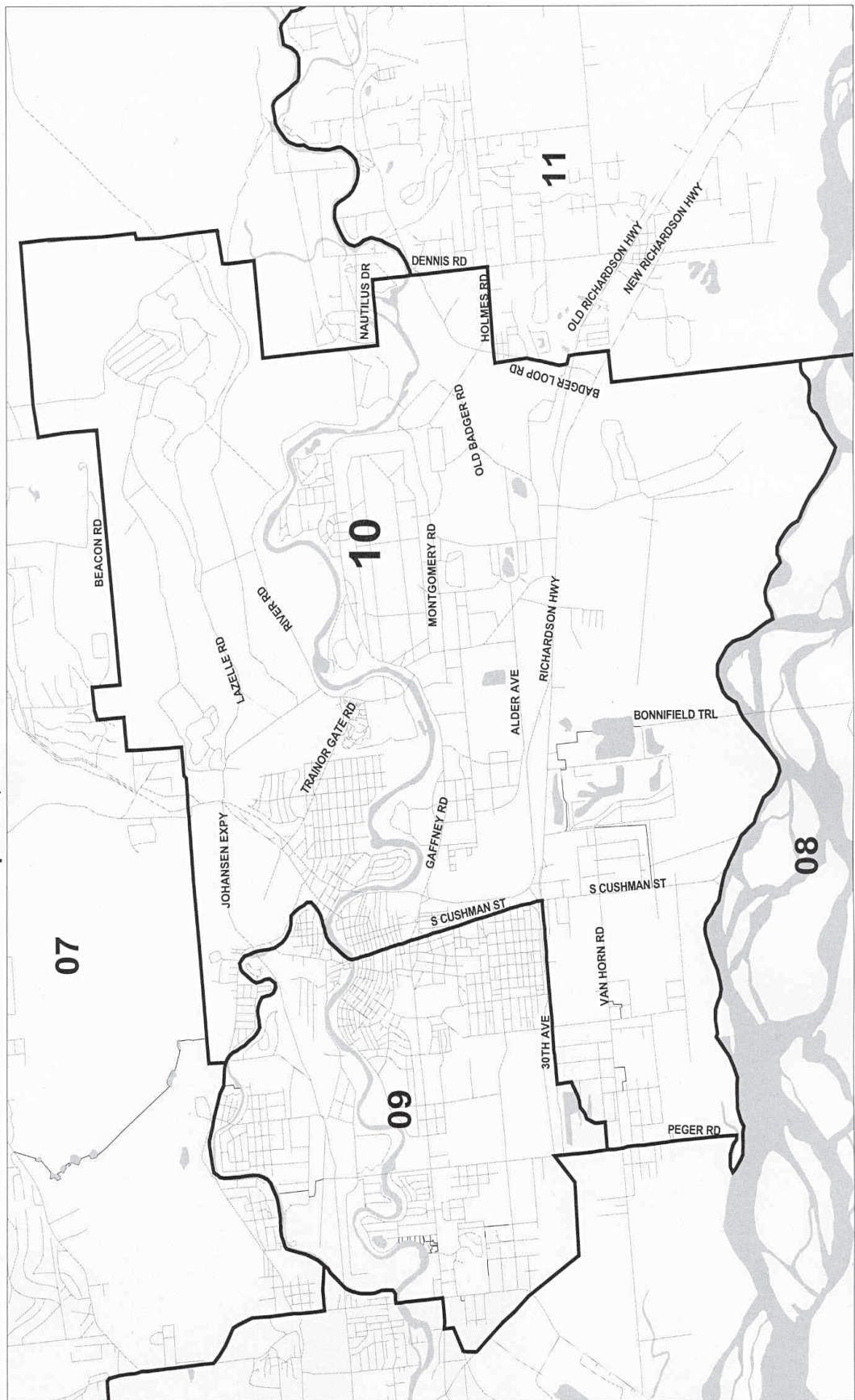
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VOTE BOTH SIDES



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# House District 10

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## Jay Ramras, Republican



**DATE OF BIRTH:** July 31, 1964  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Fairbanks, AK  
**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 86 C Street  
Fairbanks, AK 99701  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 452 Shannon Drive  
Fairbanks, AK 99701  
**E-MAIL:** jayramras@hotmail.com  
**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** jayramras@hotmail.com  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 42 years  
Fairbanks  
**OCCUPATION:** Hotel and Restaurant Owner  
**EDUCATION:**  
Lathrop High School, 1981; Syracuse University, 1984,  
Bachelor of Arts, American History.  
**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
State House, 24th Legislature.  
**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Chamber of Commerce, CHARR, Alaska Hotel & Lodging  
Association.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Host of Canned Food Day at the Tanana Valley Fair; Host of Letter Carriers' Canned Food Drive; past Host of Mush For Kids, Alaska Children's Trust, Sponsor of Food Factory & Friends, UAF Jazz Festival.

### **OTHER:**

Owner: Food Factory, Pike's Landing, Pike's Waterfront Lodge.

### **STATEMENT:**

After finishing college, I spent most of my adult life in the private sector at Jaybird's Wingworld, Food Factory, Pike's Landing and Pike's Waterfront Lodge serving the public. Along the way I discovered a love for doing socially positive, charitable good works. Being a good corporate citizen is an obligation of every business owner in Alaska.

Having served in the Legislature for a term now, I find that it is a platform that allows a member of the community to do good things that makes our community of Fairbanks a better place to live.

The greatest issue facing us now is how to cope with the ever-increasing cost of government and providing our citizens with a bright, clearly articulated pathway to a greater quality of life. As the federal government recedes in its support for Medicare and Medicaid, greater pressure will be exerted on our annual budgets. This will be exacerbated by the burdensome public retirement obligation of PERS/TRS, which is still spiraling out of control. How do we plot our way out of this maze of pressure? We do it with development of our greatest natural resource: hydrocarbons. We have enormous amounts of oil, heavy oil and natural gas which must find their way to global and North American markets.

Government is best when it helps to set the table and gets out of the way. I pledge to continue making government more approachable for ordinary folks and less burdensome for business. Alaska is a great place to live.

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DISTRICT F  
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| <input type="radio"/> THERRIAULT, GENE | Republican |
| <input type="radio"/> Write-in         |            |

STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
DISTRICT 11  
(vote for one)

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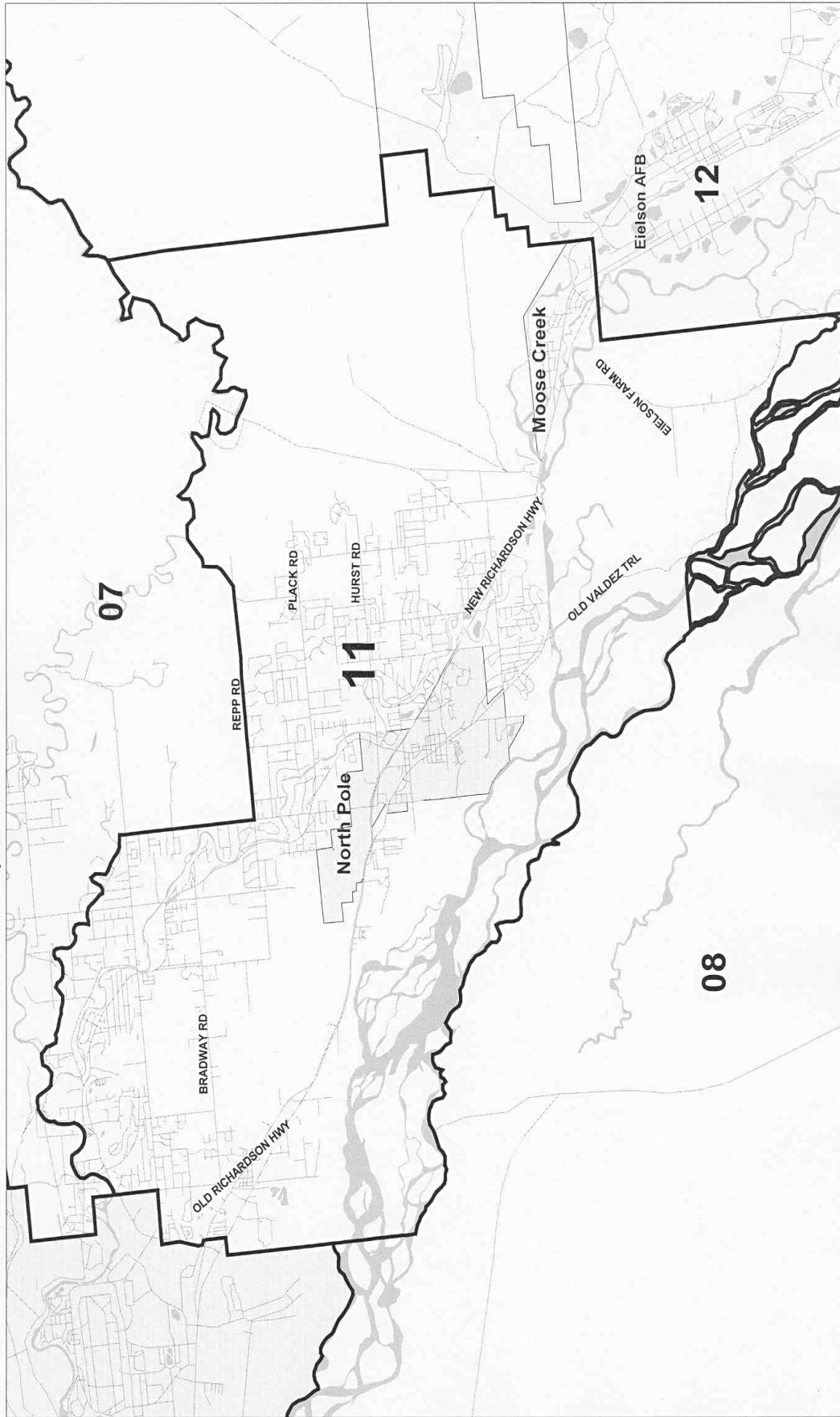


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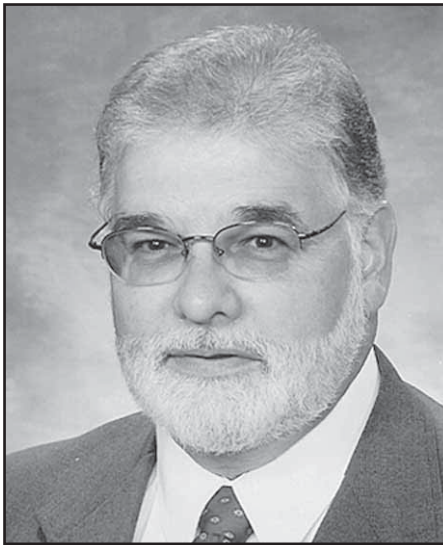
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# Senate District F

## Tim Beck, Democrat



**DATE OF BIRTH:** March 28, 1950

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Ashland, OH

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Deborah

**CHILDREN:** Tyler (27), Robyn (25), Hannah (16)

**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 3470 Plack Road  
North Pole, AK 99705

**MAILING ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 57392  
North Pole, AK 99705

**E-MAIL:** BeckforSenate@gmail.com

**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** beckforsenate.com

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** Since 1975

|                       |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| Nome                  | 1975-1976    |
| Fairbanks, North Pole | 1977-present |

**OCCUPATION:**  
Retired: State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

**EDUCATION:**  
Loudonville High School, 1968; Ohio State Barber College, 1968-1969; Northwest Community College, 1975-1976; University of Alaska Fairbanks, 1982-1986.

**MILITARY:**  
1969-1975, Ohio Air National Guard 179th Tactical Fighter Wing; Medical Specialist, Radiology, Secret Clearance, Honorable Discharge, Ssgt.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly, 1998-2004, 2005-present; Alaska Municipal League: Second Vice President, Executive Committee, Board of Directors, Legislative Committee Land Use and Resources, 2005-present.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

American Legion Post 257; Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio, Hanover Lodge 115.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

New Hope Methodist-Presbyterian Church: Elder, Past Council Moderator, Trustee Chair; National Rifle Association; Life Member North American Hunting Club.

### **OTHER:**

Tim, Deborah, and Hannah live near North Pole where they raise bison and horses along with other livestock.

### **STATEMENT:**

**All-Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline:** Voters in the North Slope Borough, Fairbanks North Star Borough and the City of Valdez voted overwhelmingly (80%) in support of the Alaska Gas-line Port Authority in 1999. Alaskan voters supported formation of Alaska Natural Gas Development Authority in 2002 by 62.3%. Any gas-line that fails to guarantee jobs and resource availability for local use, denying Alaskans a clean less expensive source of energy for heating and industry is unacceptable!

**Long Term Fiscal Plan:** Long overdue. Failure to plan is planning to fail. Nowhere is this more apparent than this past sessions' record breaking spending spree.

**Municipal Revenue Sharing:** By eliminating local revenue sharing it has driven up local governments' costs. The money hasn't been removed from the states budget, just spent differently. Unfunded mandates for property tax relief was exacerbated this past session with the approval of a tax moratorium for special interests with no fiscal understanding of local impacts.

**Retirement Indebtedness:** SB 141 has many unresolved issues to be clarified to fix the fix. This legislation does nothing to eliminate the indebtedness. By removing the revenue stream going into the programs, the problem has been exacerbated. Under-funding of the programs and reliance on investment income to meet projected target balances is the greater part of the problem. A more serious problem created is recruitment and retention of educators and other professionals necessary to meet the required standards for today's youth in public schools and engineers to maintain our transportation infrastructure throughout Alaska.

# Senate District F

## Gene Therriault, Republican

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**DATE OF BIRTH:** January 31, 1960

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Fairbanks, AK

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Jo

**CHILDREN:** Justin (14), Jordyn (10)

**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 3373 Spruce Branch Drive  
North Pole, AK 99705

**MAILING ADDRESS:** 3373 Spruce Branch Drive  
North Pole, AK 99705

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 46 years  
Fairbanks and North Pole

**OCCUPATION:** Business Partner, Legislator

**EDUCATION:**  
North Pole High School, 1978, Diploma; University of Alaska Fairbanks, 1978-1983, A.A. Computer Information Systems, B.A. Business Administration.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Alaska State Senate, 2000-present; Alaska House of Representatives, 1993-2000; Senator, Associated Students, University of Alaska Fairbanks, 1982.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Board of Directors, North Pole Paper Printing and Office Products, 1987-1991; Shareholder, Hector's Welding; Partner, T.H.E. Company.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Family activities.

**OTHER:**  
Member, St. Nicholas Parish.

### STATEMENT:

Alaska is transitioning through an important point in its development and the decisions made by the next Legislature will be critical to our long-term well being. The challenges of the next four years will require leadership, honesty and a willingness to do what is right, not what is politically expedient.

For the past two years I have been tasked with equipping the Legislature with the tools to evaluate a gas pipeline proposal. To facilitate this review, I have contracted with independent consultants who have specific knowledge on oil and gas operations in Alaska and around the world. These consultants have been critical of the Governor's proposal and I have come under increasing pressure to ignore their advice and just vote "yes". I have resisted this pressure and will continue to make sure the Legislature has independent, unbiased advice. While we all want a gasline, it must be a fair deal for Alaskans now and in the future.

I have also worked on other matters of importance to the residents of Senate District F. The following is a partial list of legislation I sponsored or co-sponsored and worked through to become law:

#### State Rights

- Extend the Navigable Waters Commission
- Asserting state title to submerged land

#### 2nd Amendment Rights

- Use of force to protect self, home and property

#### Family Protection

- Ban online distribution of pornography
- Ban online enticement of minors
- Increased penalties for indecent exposure to minors

#### Identity Theft

- Protect the confidentiality of personal information on absentee ballots

Call 488-1657 if you have questions.

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# House District 11

## John B. Coghill Jr., Republican



**DATE OF BIRTH:** August 15, 1950  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Fairbanks, AK  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Luann Coghill  
**CHILDREN:** Shaun, Joshua, Jayme  
**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 854 Keeling Road  
North Pole, AK 99705  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 58003  
Fairbanks, AK 99711  
**E-MAIL :** john@johnncoghill.com  
**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** www.johnncoghill.com  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 56 years  
Fairbanks 1975-present  
Nenana 1950-1975

**EDUCATION:**  
Nenana Public School, 1955–1968, Diploma.

**MILITARY:**  
U.S. Air Force, 1969-1974, Honorable discharge after five years service.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Republican Party volunteer and officer from 1988 to present; Representative for North Pole Area in District 32 and 11, 1998–2006; Chairman of State Affairs Committee, Chairman of Health Education and Social Services Committee; Co-Chair Joint Armed Services Committee; Energy Council Executive Committee; Majority Leader.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Pastors Assistant, Private School teacher, construction worker, family business officer.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
NRA, American Legislative Exchange Council.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family (grandchildren), carpentry and building, Bible and history.

### **STATEMENT:**

The privilege of serving House District 11 these last two years has been both tough and productive.

Getting our natural gas to market is the issue of the day and I want to get our gasoline built. So let's make sure that our state is protected economically and constitutionally. I am not a fan of our state joint venturing with the major oil companies. I prefer the state role as regulator and resource manager rather than business owner and operator.

Limited government, maximum individual liberty, traditional family values, godly heritage, the rule of law, and our Constitutional Republic all based in the Declaration of Independence are my core beliefs.

I am pro-life. Choices are before conception – after this we are responsible to our Creator as parents.

Education is primarily the family's responsibility: Our Constitution calls for public education so let us do well in both areas.

With a vision for a strong diversified economy and a sound form of government I will apply myself with all my convictions as your representative.

# House District 11

## John E. Pile, Sr., Democrat



**DATE OF BIRTH:** June 27, 1947  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Charleston, WV  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Barbara Pile  
**CHILDREN:** John, Jill, Michael, Kari  
**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 2615 Lisa Ann Drive  
North Pole, AK 99705  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 2615 Lisa Ann Drive  
North Pole, AK 99705  
**E-MAIL:** john@johnpile.com  
**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** johnpile.com  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 26 Years  
Fairbanks 1980-1983  
North Pole 1983-present

**OCCUPATION:**  
Public School Principal, Retired

**EDUCATION:**  
Dunbar High School, 1961-1965, High School Diploma;  
Concord College, 1965-1971, Bachelor of Science in  
Education; Marshall University, 1972-1973, Masters in  
Reading/Principal's Certificate; University of Alaska,  
Fairbanks, 1980+, Continuing Professional Development.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Teacher: Gap Mills Elementary, Clay Elementary, Clay  
Junior High, Barnette Elementary, Two Rivers Elementary,  
Howard Luke Academy; Principal: Ballard Elementary,  
Peterstown Elementary, Two Rivers Elementary, Salcha  
Elementary, Ticasuk-Brown Elementary, Barnette  
Elementary, North Pole Middle School; Interim Principal:  
Joy Elementary, Hunter Elementary, Anderson School;  
Parent Teacher Association, Lifelong Member.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

North Pole Rotary; Interior Alaska Center for Nonviolent  
Living, Board of Directors; Foster Grandparents, Board of  
Directors; Flint Hills Community Advisory Board.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family, 1964 Chevrolets, Benjamin Franklin, Growing  
Potatoes, Public Education.

### **OTHER:**

VISTA Volunteer (Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Montana-  
1967) First United Methodist.

### **STATEMENT:**

Alaska has been very good to my family over the past  
twenty-six years. My children have received an excellent  
education and the community has been supportive of us  
as our family has grown. At this time in my life I would  
like to show my appreciation by serving in the state  
government. Alaska needs to change from a government  
of bickering and secret meetings to one of common  
purpose and openness, serving all Alaskans. I am skilled in  
building unity within diversity and will seek to find ways to  
represent my North Pole and Fairbanks neighbors while  
working with other Alaskans. I will strive toward making  
our state government an example of liberty and  
responsiveness to all, as well as a place where individuals  
will find opportunities to remain in Alaska. This is an  
exciting time for our state. Decisions made now will likely  
affect many generations. By listening and working together  
we can make a significant impact on the future. This is our  
chance to make a real difference for our children and  
grandchildren. Let's Do It Right!

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| <input type="radio"/> KNOWLES, TONY<br>BERKOWITZ, ETHAN A.            | Democrat             |
| <input type="radio"/> MASSIE, DAVID M.                                | Green                |
| <input type="radio"/> PALIN, SARAH H.<br>PARNELL, SEAN R.             | Republican           |
| <input type="radio"/> TOIEN, WILLIAM S. "BILLY"<br>MIRABAL, ROBERT D. | Libertarian          |
| <input type="radio"/> Write-in  |                      |

STATE SENATOR  
DISTRICT F  
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| <input type="radio"/> THERRIAULT, GENE | Republican |
| <input type="radio"/> BECK, TIM        | Democrat   |
| <input type="radio"/> Write-in         |            |

STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
DISTRICT 12  
(vote for one)

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| <input type="radio"/> HARRIS, JOHN L.            | Republican |
| <input type="radio"/> JOHNSON, WILLIAM R. "BILL" | Democrat   |
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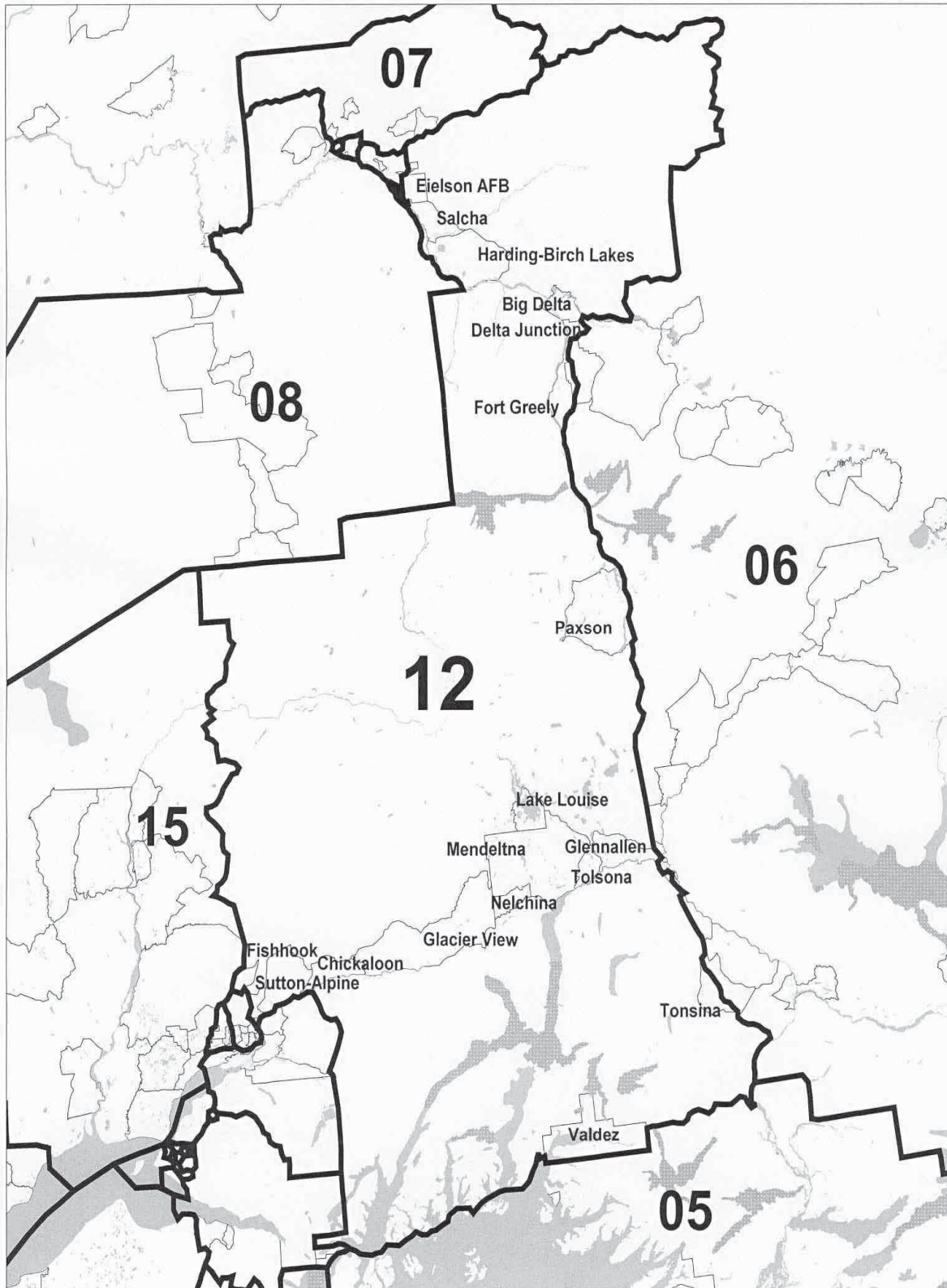


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## District 12

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# House District 12

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## John L. Harris, Republican



### STATEMENT:

I am honored to once again have the opportunity and privilege to serve my district and all the people of the great state of Alaska in the state legislature. As a fourth generation Alaskan, I feel a responsibility to address and solve the issues facing this state. The legislature must address the critical social and economic issues facing this state soon. I pledge to work in a bi-partisan effort toward that goal for the benefit of all Alaskans. A stable economy means good jobs with good wages and benefits. A stable economy means good quality schools with well-paid teachers and a disciplined system of achievement. Alaska will always be a natural resource state and the legislature must assure development of its oil and gas, timber, mining, agriculture, and other resources in an environmentally sound and responsible way. I ask for your support and vote on election day.

**DATE OF BIRTH:** October 15, 1957  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Glennallen, AK  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Nicole  
**CHILDREN:** John Paul  
**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 360 Hanigita Street  
Valdez, AK 99686  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 305  
Valdez, AK 99686  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 49 years  
Valdez 1957-2006  
**OCCUPATION:** Teamster, Business owner  
**EDUCATION:**  
Valdez High School, Diploma; Lincoln Electric Welding School; Spartan School of Aeronautics.  
**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Valdez Council, Mayor, 1990-1998; State House, 1998-2006.  
**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
St. Francis Catholic Church, Pioneers of Alaska.

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# House District 12

## William R. "Bill" Johnson, Democrat



**DATE OF BIRTH:** February 2, 1952  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Fairbanks  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Shellie  
**CHILDREN:** Kim, Leif, Ingrid  
**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** MP 294  
Richardson Highway  
Delta, AK 99701  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** HC #10 MP 294  
Richardson Highway  
Fairbanks, AK, 99701  
**E-MAIL :** billj52@gmail.com  
**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** bill-johnson.net  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 54 years  
**OCCUPATION:**  
Business Agent for ASEA/AFSCME Local 52  
**EDUCATION:**  
Delta High School, Graduated 1970; University of Alaska,  
B.A. in Northern Studies, 1985, M.A. in Northern Studies,  
1993; Washington State University, Ph.D. in History, 2005.  
**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Anything Outdoors—fishing, hunting, gathering, boating,  
hiking, gardening; History; Reading; Political debate.

### STATEMENT:

When my grandparents came to Alaska in the early 1940s it was a place where dreams could come true. Their dreams did come true, but what about our grandchildren? Is Alaska still a place where their dreams can come true? It should be, and we can work together to make sure it remains a land of opportunity.

We need to respect our senior citizens and restore the longevity program. We need to take care of our children, our greatest resource, by responsibly funding our schools. We need to honor our veterans by ensuring they get the health benefits due them. We need to remember that all of us deserve to retire with dignity. We need to provide local tax relief and share state revenue with local governments.

Make no mistake, addressing these issues will cost money and so we need to design a balanced budget.

I see two obvious ways to increase our available cash. First, our current oil taxes need to be adjusted so that we, the owners of the oil, get our fair share. A properly designed production tax could increase our income significantly. Two, we need to develop our gas reserves. An Alaska gas-line could provide jobs, energy, and maximize revenue to the state.

I want to insure that Alaska—the Great Land—is a land of opportunity for my grandchildren, and yours.

Together, we can do this.

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# **Ballot Measures**

**Vote!  
November 7**

# Ballot Measures

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Election Day is November 7, 2006

The following ballot measures appear on the 2006 General Election ballot:

## Ballot Measure 1 - 05LEGS

90-Day Session Limit for Legislature

## Ballot Measure 2 - 05GAS2

Natural Gas Resources Tax and Production Credit

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### INITIATIVE, REFERENDUM AND RECALL INFORMATION

The initiative, referendum and recall procedures appear in Article XI of the Alaska Constitution, Alaska Election Law under AS 15.45.010 - 15.45.720 and the Alaska Administrative Code under 6 AAC 25.240 and 245. The following information summarizes the statutes and regulations.

The **initiative** process is the procedure by which the people instead of the legislature introduce and enact a law. A specified number of voters propose the law they wish to be placed on a ballot to have it voted up or down by their fellow Alaskans. [Ref. AS 15.45.010-245]

The **referendum** process is the procedure by which the people approve or reject a law already passed by the legislature. The referendum petition must be filed within 90 days after the adjournment of the legislative session at which the law was passed, in order for it to appear on a ballot to be voted on. [Ref. AS 15.45.250-465]

The **recall** process is the procedure by which the people may remove the governor, lieutenant governor, or members of the state legislature from office. The recall question appears on a special election ballot. [Ref. AS 15.45.470-720]

### STEPS IN THE PROCESS

The three petition processes follow the same basic steps:

- PREPARATION OF LANGUAGE by a petition committee for the application.
- COLLECTION OF SIGNATURES of 100 qualified voters who agree to act as sponsors for petition circulation purposes.
- APPLICATION for a petition presented to the Lt. Governor, or in the case of a recall, the Director of the Division of Elections.
- REVIEW by the Lt. Governor, Department of Law and Division of Elections.
- PETITION BOOKLETS PRINTED by the Division of Elections for the petition committee.
- COLLECTION OF SIGNATURES of qualified voters in at least 30 election districts who support the petition.
- FILING OF THE PETITION with the Division of Elections.
- REVIEW of signatures by the Division of Elections.
- NOTIFICATION by the Lt. Governor if the petition is or is not sufficient (i.e., there were enough signatures) to appear on the ballot, or in the case of a recall, the Director of the Division of Elections.
- PREPARATION of ballot language.

This information should not be considered a substitute for reading the statutes and regulations in their entirety.

For more information please visit the Division of Elections website:

[www.elections.state.ak.us](http://www.elections.state.ak.us)





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**BALLOT MEASURE NO. 1**  
**90-Day Session Limit For Legislature**  
**05LEGS**

This initiative would reduce the maximum length of a regular legislative session from 121 days to 90 days.

Should this initiative become law?

- ☐ YES  
☐ NO

**BALLOT MEASURE NO. 2**  
**Natural Gas Resources Tax and Production**  
**Credit**  
**05GAS2**

This initiative would levy a new state tax on certain oil and gas leases overlying large deposits of natural gas. The tax rate would be three cents a year per thousand cubic feet of taxable gas in the ground. Leaseholders who dispute the levy of the tax or the amount owed will have to deposit the disputed amount into an escrow account until the dispute is resolved. A leaseholder subject to the new tax could avoid paying the tax by giving up rights under oil and gas leases by December 31, 2006.

When a major gas pipeline system is built and gas is transported, the resource tax will be repealed. After the repeal, the initiative provides for tax credits for some of these taxes previously paid, which could be used to reduce future production taxes owed by leaseholders on their gas.

Should this initiative become law?

- ☐ YES  
☐ NO

VOTE BOTH SIDES

# Ballot Measure 1 - 05LEGS

## 90-DAY SESSION LIMIT FOR LEGISLATURE

### BALLOT LANGUAGE

This initiative would reduce the maximum length of a regular legislative session from 121 days to 90 days.

SHOULD THIS INITIATIVE BECOME LAW?

☐ Yes

☐ No

### LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AGENCY SUMMARY

This measure limits the length of a regular session of the legislature. The session may last only ninety days. The limit will not apply to the next regular session. It will apply to other sessions in the future.

### STATEMENT OF COSTS AND REVENUES FOR BALLOT MEASURE 1 – INITIATIVE 05LEGS – Prepared by the Legislative Affairs Agency

As required by AS 15.58.020 (6) (c) the Legislative Affairs Agency has prepared the following statement of costs and cost savings to the Legislative Affairs Agency of implementing the law proposed in Ballot Initiative 05LEGS.

The initiative would limit regular sessions of the Legislature to 90 days, including the day the legislature first convenes in that regular session. The 90 day limit would take effect beginning with the second regular session of the 25th Alaska Legislature in January 2008.

The Legislative Affairs Agency would realize a cost savings of \$700,000 per year due to shortening the existing 121 day session to 90 days. However, shortening the regular session to 90 days may or may not result in more frequent special sessions so that legislators can work on single subject legislation, or work on legislation that did not make it through the process during the regular session. If more special sessions were held, the \$700,000 cost savings realized by shortening the session, would be offset by the costs of holding more frequent special sessions.

### FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED LAW

An Act relating to a 90-day regular session of the legislature; and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

\*Section 1. AS 24.05.150 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

*The text of this bill is presented as submitted by petition sponsors.*

(b) The legislature shall adjourn from a regular session within 90 consecutive calendar days, including the day the legislature first convenes in that regular session.

\*Sec. 2 This act takes effect on the first day of the second regular session of the 25th Alaska Legislature.

### STATEMENT IN SUPPORT

Why limit the Alaska legislative session to a 90 day duration?

This is the most asked question we get when discussing our voter initiative.

The advantages are many and too numerous to list in the limited space made available in this election pamphlet, but here are some of the major advantages to a 90 day session.

First, we save 30 days of per diem and expenses of operation of the legislature - paper, copy costs, transportation, etc.

Secondly, twenty-seven other states in the U.S. have a shorter session than Alaska (remember this figure when people tell you we would not have adequate time to do our work).

Third, since 1990, legislation has been introduced twenty-four times and none of the bills have gotten to the floor of either body for action.

All voters should understand that a 90 day session limit would in no way restrict the legislature from calling itself into special session to meet specific needs of the state. The Governor also has the ability to call the legislature into special session, as he has done the last two years.

Finally, we would like to quote a very compelling piece from the Juneau Empire, which stated the following:

"Reducing the time away from family and other work also might encourage people to run for office. Competition and choice only helps the democratic process and ultimately might boost the caliber of candidates"

Submitted by one of the Petition Sponsors

Senator Tom Wagoner  
Senate District Q

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# Ballot Measure 1 - 05LEGS

## 90-DAY SESSION LIMIT FOR LEGISLATURE

### STATEMENT IN OPPOSITION

If you like power-wielding committee chairs, special interests, and high-paid lobbyists, you're going to love Ballot Measure 1. This proposed change to Alaska's statutes would play right into their hands.

On the other hand if you like your Legislature truly representative and dedicated to listening to the people of Alaska on issues that affect their lives, rights, resources, and revenues then Ballot Measure 1 deserves a "NO" vote on your ballot November 7.

Here's why:

Most Alaskans want meaningful, beneficial bills to be respectfully considered during the course of the regular sessions of each Legislature. They want appropriate committees in each house to have time to schedule hearings so that members can study legislation, hear Alaskan citizen testimony and experts, then intelligently vote their recommendations and send the bills on to the next committee of referral, if any. Some important, many-faceted bills may require consideration and recommendations from as many as three committees. A natural resources measure, for instance, may require referrals to Resources, Judiciary, and Finance.

Here's where the special interests and power brokers come in. If a bill is filed that is not to their liking there are two ways they can kill it.

First is the honorable way, by participating in honest, forthright testimony in committees, and by presenting their views to members of each house before a vote on each house floor. Of course, for an outcome to their liking they will need to round up enough negative votes (20 "nays" in the House, 10 in the Senate) to cause the bill to fail passage.

The other, easier way for the well-heeled, well-connected lobbyist or interest group is to find a friendly, sympathetic committee chair who will either outright refuse to bring up a bill for committee consideration and advancement or kill it with kindness by scheduling multiple strung-out hearings or by holding it for "more study."

What does this have to do with session limits? Obviously, the shorter the allowable session, the easier it is to stall a good bill's progress until the legislative session clock runs out. Hence the enthusiasm for Ballot Measure 1 among special interests and legislator power brokers.

Remember this: the more you limit the legislature's time to do its legitimate business, the more you limit the opportunity of Alaskans to hear the facts and share their expertise.

**And by the way, session-limiting statutes don't even work. Ever since the current 120-day session went into effect in 1985 every single Legislature has had to be called back into special session one, two, or even three more times!**

This is expensive and wasteful. The people of Alaska deserve better.

Please vote "NO" on Ballot Measure 1!

Mike Miller, Juneau  
Former Majority Leader, Alaska House of Representatives

Niilo E. Koponen, Fairbanks  
Former Chair, Committee on Health, Education, & Social Services

Sam Cotten, Anchorage  
Speaker of the House 1989-1990

# Ballot Measure 2 - 05GAS2

## NATURAL GAS RESOURCES TAX AND PRODUCTION CREDIT

### BALLOT LANGUAGE

This initiative would levy a new state tax on certain oil and gas leases overlying large deposits of natural gas. The tax rate would be three cents a year per thousand cubic feet of taxable gas in the ground. Leaseholders who dispute the levy of the tax or the amount owed will have to deposit the disputed amount into an escrow account until the dispute is resolved. A leaseholder subject to the new tax could avoid paying the tax by giving up rights under oil and gas leases by December 31, 2006.

When a major gas pipeline system is built and gas is transported, the resource tax will be repealed. After the repeal, the initiative provides for tax credits for some of these taxes previously paid, which could be used to reduce future production taxes owed by leaseholders on their gas.

SHOULD THIS INITIATIVE BECOME LAW?

☐ Yes

☐ No

### LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AGENCY SUMMARY

This initiative levies a tax on certain natural gas resources under state lease. The tax rate is three cents per 1,000 cubic feet. The initiative gives a partial tax credit if the taxable gas is committed by contract for sale and delivery as the measure directs. Once gas is delivered, the tax is repealed. If challenged, the measure has an escrow provision for the tax revenue obtained. The measure says that the proceeds of the tax may be used to build a state owned gas pipeline or for another legal purpose.

**STATEMENT OF COSTS AND REVENUES FOR  
BALLOT MEASURE 2 – INITIATIVE 05GAS2 –  
Prepared by the Alaska Departments of Revenue and  
Natural Resources**

#### DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE COSTS

The costs of administering this tax are difficult to estimate. In the absence of disputes by taxpayers, it could be a relatively simple tax to administer. For the Department of Revenue (DOR), administration may require about 25 percent of one tax technician's time per year and some time from the State Petroleum

Property Assessor. The measure specifies that the Department of Revenue will determine the volume of taxable gas after consultation with the Department of Natural Resources and the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. Having three agencies involved in the determination of gas reserve estimates may complicate the already uncertain science of reserve estimation and therefore result in additional costs.

The measure specifies that no taxes will be levied on reserves of less than one trillion cubic feet. Depending on how certain language in the measure is interpreted, there may be at least two gas fields where reserves are estimated to be very close to one trillion cubic feet, which could trigger an expensive conflict about whether taxes of about \$30 million per year would be owed for each field.

At a minimum, the DOR State Petroleum Property Assessor would need \$100,000 per year for contract expertise and administrative review for the purpose of determining taxable gas volumes. A tax technician at \$14,000 per year (25 percent of annual cost) would also be required, for a total annual cost of \$114,000. Expenses in the first year of implementation are estimated to be \$50,000 for DOR personnel, and \$85,000 for support from the Department of Law in the development and establishment of regulations necessary to administer the tax.

Once the gas is being marketed, there will be additional costs incurred by DOR for the purpose of determining the amount of credit to be applied to production tax liabilities. It is highly unlikely that these costs will be incurred prior to FY2014; therefore, we are not attempting to estimate these costs at this time.

#### DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE REVENUES

This initiative would establish a new tax to be levied on Alaska's known gas resources as defined in, and subject to the exemptions of, the measure. Definitive estimates of gas resources have yet to be determined; however, according to the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas 2006 Annual Report, about 35.4 trillion cubic feet (TCF) of natural gas could be subject to the tax under the proposal. The tax would be repealed when the gas on which the tax is levied is first transported to market through a major gas pipeline system.

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Assuming that 35.4 trillion cubic feet are subject to the tax, a \$.03 tax on each 1,000 cubic feet of natural gas would yield revenues of approximately \$1.1 billion per year until the gas is transported to market under conditions specified in the bill. When a major gas pipeline system is complete and the gas is marketed, lessees will be allowed to claim a credit for certain of the taxes paid under this legislation. The credit is subject to the following limitations: (1) In any year, the credit is limited to half of the lessee's production taxes on gas carried in the major pipeline system; (2) Taxes paid pursuant to this measure before the lessee made an irrevocable commitment to either ship or sell the gas do not qualify for the credit; and (3) Any credit not used by 2030 expires.

### DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES COSTS

Assuming that the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will do the majority of the work required under this initiative to determine the volume of taxable gas reserves, DNR estimates that three additional positions (Petroleum Geologist, Petroleum Engineer, and Commercial Analyst) would be needed to perform the necessary work on an annual basis with sufficient accuracy for tax purposes. These three positions would require an additional \$519,000 annual appropriation to DNR.

(Note: In the event of prolonged appeals or litigation of this initiative, the State Departments of Revenue, Natural Resources, and Law, and the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission could incur substantial additional costs in responding to the appeals or litigation. These costs cannot be determined at this time.)

### FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED LAW

#### AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act levying a tax on certain leases having known resources of natural gas, conditionally repealing the levy of that tax, and authorizing a credit for payments of that tax against amounts due under the oil and gas properties production (severance) tax if requirements relating to the sale or shipment of the natural gas are met; and providing for an effective date."

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

**\*Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

SHORT TITLE. This Act shall be known as the Alaska Gasline Now! Act.

**\*Sec. 2.** AS 43.58 is amended by adding new sections to read:

**Sec. 43.58.210. Tax on certain leases having known gas resources.** (a) An annual tax is levied each calendar year on leases having taxable gas.

(b) The tax shall be paid by the lessee.

(c) The annual rate of levy is three cents for each 1,000 cubic feet of taxable gas under lease.

**Sec. 43.58.220. Property subject to tax.** (a) The property subject to tax under this chapter is leases having taxable gas. Taxable gas is known gas resources in the state, excepting gas described in (b) and (c) of this section.

(b) Gas is not taxable gas under this chapter if it is

(1) a gas hydrate;

(2) coal bed methane;

(3) any other nonconventional gas resource;

(4) nonhydrocarbon gas;

(5) an unknown gas resource;

(6) gas to be consumed as fuel in a state-approved oil and gas unit of origin within five years of January 1 of the tax year;

(7) natural gas liquids to be blended with oil and transported by oil pipeline to market for sale as oil within five years of January 1 of the tax year; or

(8) the state's royalty share of gas.

(c) Gas is not taxable gas under this chapter if the gas is

(1) not subject to a state-approved oil and gas unit; or

(2) subject to a state oil and gas lease, but that lease

(A) has not been in existence throughout the 10 years immediately preceding the tax year;

(B) was not in a state-approved oil and gas unit as of January 1, 2002, and January 1, of the tax year; or

(C) is in a state-approved oil and gas unit that has less than 1,000,000,000,000 cubic feet of known gas resources.

**Sec. 43.58.230. Determination of volume of taxable gas.** (a) The department, after consultation with the Department of Natural Resources and the



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Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, shall determine the volume of taxable gas in each state-approved oil and gas unit as of January 1 of each year.

(b) For a state-approved oil and gas unit in which all lessees have agreed to a formula or formulas for the allocation of hydrocarbons among lessees, the department shall use that formula or those formulas in allocating taxable gas among the lessees for purposes of assessing and collecting the tax due under this chapter.

(c) For a state-approved oil and gas unit in which all lessees have not agreed to a formula for the allocation of hydrocarbons among lessees, the department may allocate taxable gas among the lessees in any manner it considers reasonable, including, without limitation,

- (1) by agreement of the department and all lessees;
- (2) based on original or remaining gas in place;
- (3) based on remaining recoverable gas reserves or resources; or
- (4) based on surface acreage.

(d) To facilitate the use of confidential information available to the Department of Natural Resources and the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, the department may delegate the allocation of taxable gas under (c) of this section among lessees to the Department of Natural Resources or the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

**Sec. 43.58.240. Returns and payment of tax.** (a) A lessee holding an interest in property taxable under this chapter shall submit a return setting out known gas resources subject to the tax. The lessee shall submit the return on or before February 1 on the form prescribed by the department based on volumes of taxable gas existing on January 1 of each calendar year, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

(b) With the written approval of the department, an operator of a lease holding an interest in property taxable under this chapter may submit returns or make payment of the tax levied under this chapter on behalf of the lessee.

(c) The tax levied under this chapter is payable to the department on or before June 30 of each year or in installments at the times and under the conditions that the department may by regulation require.

(d) If directed or approved by the department, a person submitting returns under this section or making payments as required under this chapter for more than one lease may regard taxable gas attributable to leases within a state-approved unit as if it were a single lease for purposes of submitting those returns or making those payments.

(e) The department may, by written notice, require a person filing a return to submit additional information to the department not later than 30 days after the notice.

**Sec. 43.58.250. Regulations.** The department shall adopt regulations in accordance with AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act) as appropriate to administer and enforce this chapter. The regulations must include provisions that address

- (1) annual preparation of the tax roll of property that includes taxable gas;
- (2) provision for notice to operators or lessees of leases having gas subject to tax under this chapter of the volume of taxable gas for each lease or unit;
- (3) procedures by which a person aggrieved by an action of the department may appeal that action and obtain a hearing; under the procedures to be adopted,
  - (A) conduct of the hearing and activities preliminary to it shall be in accordance with AS 44.62.350, 44.62.430, 44.62.450, 44.62.460, 44.62.480, 44.62.500 - 44.62.550, 44.62.590, and 44.62.610 - 44.62.640; for the purposes of this subparagraph, the term "respondent" used in those sections shall be considered to include the person aggrieved by the action of the department;
  - (B) at the hearing, the appellant bears the burden of proof; and
  - (C) within 30 days after the decision by the department following the hearing, a person aggrieved by that decision may appeal to the superior court; and
- (4) certification of a final taxation roll and the manner of preparation of a supplemental roll using procedures applicable to the preparation of the original tax roll.

**Sec. 43.58.295. Definitions.** In this chapter,

- (1) "gas" and "natural gas" have the meanings given to "gas" in AS 43.55.900;
- (2) "known gas resources" means the volume of gas that geological and engineering information indicates is recoverable in the future under existing technology, without regard to the current lack of a means of its transportation to markets;
- (3) "lease" means an oil and gas lease issued by the state;
- (4) "lessee" means the lessee of record with the state as of January 1 of the tax year;

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(5) "operator" means the party approved by the Department of Natural Resources or Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission as the unit operator for a state-approved unit.

**\*Sec. 3. AS 43.55** is amended by adding a new section to read:

**Sec. 43.55.027.** Credit against tax as it applies to certain natural gas production. (a) In addition to other credits authorized by this chapter, there is allowed a credit against the tax due under this chapter for a lessee holding an interest in property subject to the tax imposed under AS 43.58.210 - 43.58.295.

(b) A lessee holding an interest in property subject to the tax imposed under AS 43.58 may claim and take the credit against tax due under this chapter.

(c) On and after the date that natural gas committed by contract for sale and delivery as commercially marketable gas is first delivered to tidewater for transshipment or to the domestic North American natural gas pipeline system and the delivery is by a pipeline or combination of pipelines having a minimum delivery capacity of 2,000,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day, a lessee holding an interest in property subject to the tax imposed under AS 43.58 may apply for and obtain a credit calculated in accordance with this section. A credit allowed under this section may not be allowed unless

(1) the lessee who holds an interest in the taxable property has entered into

(A) an irrevocable agreement to sell the lessee's gas taxable under AS 43.48.210 - AS 43.58.295; or

(B) a binding transportation service agreement to ship the lessee's gas taxable under AS 43.58.210 - AS 43.58.295 that results from an open season or from a pre-subscription agreement made public within 10 days of execution; in this subparagraph, "open season" means

(i) an open season for Alaska natural gas transportation projects conducted under 15 U.S.C. 720a(e) and related regulations governing the initial capacity of the pipeline transportation project described in 15 U.S.C. 717 - 717w; or

(ii) an open season with a methodology substantially similar to that described in (i) of this paragraph for determining capacity on other Alaska natural gas transportation pipeline projects;

(2) the natural gas pipeline described in this subsection is in service and is transporting the gas that is the subject of an irrevocable agreement of sale under (1)(A) of this subsection or a binding transportation service agreement to ship under (1)(B) of this subsection; and

(3) the lessee who holds an interest in the taxable property is actually engaged in selling the gas under an agreement described in (1)(A) of this subsection or in shipping the gas described under the transportation service agreement described in (1)(B) of this subsection.

(d) A credit may be claimed and allowed under this section

(1) only against the tax due during the month under this chapter calculated on the lessee's production of natural gas that is transported in the pipeline system that is described in (c) of this section;

(2) against not more than 50 percent of the tax described in (1) of this subsection; and

(3) in an amount that does not exceed the unused portion of the credit based on the taxpayer's total liability for taxes levied and collected under AS 43.58 incurred on and after the date of the taxpayer's execution of the irrevocable agreement of sale or binding transportation agreement described in (c)(1) of this section and before the date that natural gas committed by contract for sale and delivery as commercially marketable gas is first delivered to tidewater for transshipment or to the domestic North American natural gas pipeline system and the delivery is by a pipeline or combination of pipelines having a minimum delivery capacity of 2,000,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day.

(e) A credit may not be claimed and taken under the authority of this section after December 31, 2030.

(f) In this section,

(1) "binding transportation service agreement" means a binding commitment to subscribe for firm transportation capacity that conforms to a tariff that has been approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or that has been otherwise approved by the commission;

(2) "lessee" means the lessee of record with the state as of January 1 of the tax year.

**\*Sec. 4.** AS 43.58.210, 43.58.220, 43.58.230, 43.58.240, 43.58.250, and 43.58.295 are repealed

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on the date that natural gas committed by contract for sale and delivery as commercially marketable gas is first delivered to tidewater for transshipment or to the domestic North American natural gas pipeline system and the delivery is by a pipeline or combination of pipelines having a minimum delivery capacity of 2,000,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day.

**\*Sec. 5.** The uncoded law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

THE ALL-ALASKA GAS PIPELINE ESCROW PROVISION. In an action or appeal brought on by one or more taxpayers subject to AS 43.58 to challenge the constitutionality of this Act, to challenge the amount of taxes owed, to challenge the applicability of the tax to that taxpayer, or any other challenge to this Act or regulations adopted under this Act, an administrative or regulatory agency or a court shall direct that the amount of taxes levied under AS 43.58 that are the subject of the dispute be placed immediately in escrow in a financial institution approved by the Department of Revenue, with accurate records kept of all amounts paid to the account. Upon final resolution of the dispute, the amount in escrow, if any, owing to department, together with culminated interest, shall be paid to the department and may be appropriated for any legal purpose, including construction of a state-owned natural gas pipeline.

**\*Sec. 6.** The uncoded law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

LESSEE AUTHORIZED TO SURRENDER LEASE. To avoid liability under AS 43.58, added by sec. 2 of this Act, for payment of the tax on leases or properties having known gas resources, a person subject to AS 43.58 may surrender the person's rights under the lease to the Department of Natural Resources if the person surrenders the rights not later than December 31, 2006, and complies with all applicable requirements of

(1) the department's regulations adopted under authority of AS 38.05.020 relating to surrenders of rights in land held under lease; and

(2) the applicable requirements of the lease that relate to surrender of the person's rights in it.

**\*Sec. 7.** The uncoded law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

SEVERABILITY. Under AS 01.10.030, if any provision of this Act, or the application of it to any person or circumstance, is held invalid, the remainder of this Act and the application to other persons are not affected.

**\*Sec. 8.** EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL AND NOTICE. Section 4 of this Act takes effect on the date the contingency described in sec. 4 of this Act occurs. The commissioner of natural resources shall certify to the commissioner of revenue and to the revisor of statutes when the contingency described in sec. 4 of this Act has occurred and the date on which that contingency occurred.

**\*Sec. 9.** Section 5 and 6 of this Act take effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

**\*Sec. 10.** Except as provided in secs. 8 and 9 of this Act, this Act takes effect January 1, 2007.

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### STATEMENT IN SUPPORT

#### ALASKA GASLINE NOW INITIATIVE

We Alaskans own a resource worth hundreds of billions of dollars -- our natural gas. Yet, for three decades, we have received nothing for it: no jobs, no gas to heat our homes, and no money to fund our schools. Nothing.

The major oil companies say they might develop our gas by 2017. Then again, it may take another 20 years. Under Governor Murkowski's proposed contract with the oil companies, they have only promised to study it and let us know.

If we wait another two decades for gas to flow, another generation of Alaskans will have been denied access to and the benefits of our own resources.

We need the benefits now. We need stable funding for vital government services that does not depend on corporate decisions made in Houston or London. We need a strong incentive for the oil companies to get the gasline moving now.

We need the Alaska Gasline Now Act. That is why 47,000 Alaskans signed the petition to give us all the right to vote on it.

Here is what the Alaska Gasline Now Act does:

\* It creates income from our gas resources now by levying a reserves tax on large deposits of natural gas that have been leased but undeveloped for decades. As a result, the state will receive an estimated \$900 million dollars per year for our schools, roads, and other vital government services.

\* It encourages construction of the natural gas pipeline by automatically repealing the reserves tax when the gas pipeline is completed. This creates an incentive for the oil companies to build it sooner rather than later.

\* It promotes exploration and development for oil and gas by assuring new explorers there will be a gas pipeline in which they can ship their new discoveries to market. Any new gas found is exempt from the reserves tax.

\* It treats the oil companies fairly by giving them a tax credit after the pipeline is built. They will get a full rebate if they act quickly to build the gasline. Delay costs money.

We have done this before. In 1975, frustrated by delays in building the oil pipeline, Alaskans needed revenues to fund basic government services. We levied a reserves tax on oil that was repealed after the TAPS line was completed.

We own the gas. We need to act like owners. No one else would lease a valuable asset and let it remain unproductive for 30 years. It is time for Alaska to take a stand for development of our gas and a stand for fiscal stability.

It is time for the Alaska Gasline Now Act.  
Vote "Yes" for Alaska's future.

Governor Wally Hickel  
Mayor Jim Whitaker  
Representative Eric Croft

Note: Governor Jay Hammond was an original cosponsor of the Alaska Gasline Now initiative. We miss his help, advice, and company.

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### STATEMENT IN OPPOSITION

#### **Ballot Measure 2 discourages oil and gas exploration and development.**

Alaska's oil production continues to decline, and we need new investment in oil and gas exploration and development. But, when explorers find oil, they also find gas. That gas would then be subject to billions of dollars of new taxes, making it less likely that the producers would make the investments necessary to find and produce more oil and gas. Alaska needs new investment, and this ballot measure would have a chilling effect on that investment.

#### **The Gas Reserves Tax puts the Alaska Gas Pipeline in jeopardy and will delay its development.**

The Alaska Gas Pipeline would create thousands of jobs and generate new state revenue for roads, schools and other public services. The project is now at a critical crossroads. Alaska can choose to move forward with the project, or not. Ballot Measure 2 will jeopardize the gas pipeline, placing billions of dollars of new taxes on the project, while also discouraging oil exploration. Voting yes on this initiative puts Alaska's future at risk.

#### **Ballot Measure 2 would mean fewer jobs, less state revenue, and less money in the Permanent Fund.**

Alaska needs the gas pipeline, with its thousands of jobs and billions in state revenue. Without the development of the Alaska Gas Pipeline, North Slope oil production will continue to decline, resulting in fewer jobs, less state revenue for roads and schools, and less money deposited into the Permanent Fund. This ballot measure could stop development of the gas pipeline and discourage new investment in Alaska.

#### **The Gas Reserves Tax sends the wrong message to Alaska investors and employers.**

No other jurisdiction in the world imposes such a tax, because it is simply bad public policy. The reserves tax punishes explorers and gas leaseholders and creates disincentives for future investment. Passage of the reserves tax would indicate to investors across industries that Alaska is not open for business and that our policy of stable taxation is eroding.

Senator Ted Stevens recently expressed his view that "our opportunities are staggering, but we must attract investment if we are to realize this potential. The choices we make now will determine our ability to create a climate for investment in our state. If we choose to implement a gas reserves tax, we will discourage those who seek to invest here and we will put our future as a leader in natural resource development at risk."

#### **We urge you to Vote No on Ballot Measure 2.**

Governor Bill Sheffield

John T. Shively  
Former Commissioner, Alaska Department of Natural Resources & President, Board of Resource Development Council

Edward B. Rasmuson  
Chairman, Rasmuson Foundation

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# **Judicial Retention Candidates**

**Vote!  
November 7**

# Alaska Judicial Evaluation and Retention System

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Alaskans choose their judges through a merit selection system and vote every few years on whether to keep them on the bench. The system assures that judges remain non-partisan and accountable to the public.



The constitution requires that the Alaska Judicial Council nominate only the best-qualified people to the Governor for appointment to judgeships, and the state laws require that the Judicial Council evaluate each judge standing for retention elections. State law also requires that the Judicial Council publish its evaluations in the Voters' Pamphlet. The evaluations of judges standing in the November 2006 election appear on the following pages. Each judge also may pay for a page of biographical information that he or she prepares.

## **Judicial Evaluation Procedures**

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Council evaluates judges with the help of thousands of Alaska citizens – police and probation officers, attorneys, jurors, court employees, social workers and others who appear in court before the judges. In 2006, the Council surveyed these groups, asked for written and oral comments from the public throughout the state, and reviewed records about judges' workloads, conflicts of interest, and other aspects of performance.

**Summary of Alaska Judicial Council Recommendations - In 2006 the Judicial Council evaluated thirty-one trial court judges. The Judicial Council found that thirty judges were QUALIFIED and recommends that voters retain them as judges. The Council found that Judge David Landry was UNQUALIFIED and recommends that voters not retain him as a judge.**

**Surveys** - The Judicial Council surveyed all active members of the Alaska Bar Association, and all peace and probation officers in the state. In 2006, the Council sent surveys to 3,036 attorneys and 1,492 peace and probation officers. An independent contractor handled the surveys for the Judicial Council, to assure objectivity in the findings. Questions on the surveys asked about judges' legal abilities, fairness, integrity, temperament, diligence and overall performance. Similar surveys went to social workers and citizens who participated in helping Alaska's children in court as guardians ad litem and Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteers. The Council asked jurors who had served on cases with the judges to comment on the judges' abilities to handle the trials fairly and capably. Court employees also received surveys to rate the judges.

**Judge and Counsel Questionnaires** – Each judge standing for retention returned a self-evaluation questionnaire to the Judicial Council. The questionnaire included lists of recent cases that the judge believed were important for evaluation, with an emphasis on jury and non-jury trials. The Council asked each attorney in each case to fill out an additional survey about the judge's performance in that particular case, including detailed comments about the judge's abilities.

**Other Records** - Council staff reviewed a series of other public records, including conflict-of-interest annual statements filed with the Alaska Public Offices Commission and separate forms filed with the court system; court case files; Commission on Judicial Conduct public files; and a report on any withheld salary warrants. The Council also reviewed performance-related court data, such as the number of peremptory challenges filed against a judge and the number of reversals on appeal. The Council looked at performance-related data carefully, because a judge's caseload type or location may play a major part in the numbers of challenges or appeals and reversals. For example, an Anchorage judge assigned 800 civil cases in one year may receive more challenges (and possibly more appellate reversals) than a rural area judge assigned a mixed caseload of 500 civil and criminal cases. The Alaska Judicial Observers, an independent group of community-based volunteer court observers, provided information to the Council about the retention judges in Anchorage, Kenai and Palmer who they had evaluated.

**Public Hearings and Comment** - The Council held statewide public hearings for all judges standing for retention, using the legislature's teleconference network and public meeting rooms. Statewide newspaper ads encouraged public participation. Public hearings give citizens a valuable opportunity to speak out about their experiences with judges. They also provide a forum in which citizens can hear the opinions of others.

**Investigation** – Council staff investigated specific cases, listened to court proceedings, and interviewed judges, attorneys, court staff, and others.

**Other Publicity and Input** - The Council widely publicized the evaluation process. The Council solicited comments about judges on its website. The Council balanced all the information it received from its many sources.

### Results of Evaluations

Evaluation information for each retention judge appears on the following pages. Summaries of the attorney, peace and probation officer, juror, social worker and court employee survey scores are provided. The Alaska Judicial Observers evaluation, where available, also is summarized. Summaries of survey results are shown in tables. Survey ratings are on a five-point scale with "5" as the highest score, "1" as the least favorable score, and "3" as acceptable. The Council's Internet web pages contain survey results and performance information about each judge on the ballot this fall. (<http://www.ajc.state.ak.us>)

### Judicial Council Members

Alaska's constitution establishes the membership of the Judicial Council as three non-attorney members appointed by the Governor, three attorney members appointed by the Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association, and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Alaska who serves, ex officio, as chair. (The Chief Justice only votes when his or her vote can affect an outcome.) The Constitution provides that all appointments be made with "due consideration to area representation and without regard to political affiliation." A majority of both houses of the Legislature must confirm the non-attorney appointments, while the Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association appoints the attorney members after conducting advisory elections among Bar members within local judicial districts. Members serve six-year staggered terms. They receive no financial compensation for their work other than reimbursement for travel expenses.

Alex Bryner was chair of the Judicial Council when the Council conducted its evaluation and made its retention recommendations, by virtue of his position as Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court. Justice Bryner was appointed to the supreme court in 1997. Before his appointment, he had served as Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, U.S. Attorney, and an Anchorage District Court judge. (Term: 2003 - 2006) Dana Fabe is the current Chief Justice and chair of the Judicial Council. Justice Fabe was appointed to the supreme court in 1996. Before her appointment she served as a superior court judge. (Term: 2006 - 2009)

Eleanor Andrews is a non-attorney member of the Council from Anchorage. She has served as commissioner of the Department of Administration under Governor Sheffield, and employee relations director for the Municipality of Anchorage. Since 1987 she has been owner and CEO of Andrews Group in Anchorage. (Term: 2001 - 2007)

Douglas Baily is an attorney member from Juneau. He served as Attorney General for Governor Cowper, is in private practice in Juneau and has practiced law in Alaska for nearly 40 years. (Term: 2004 - 2010)

James Cannon is an attorney member from Fairbanks. Mr. Cannon is in private practice in Fairbanks. He previously served as a public defender in Fairbanks from 1980-2005. He has practiced law since 1975. (Term 2006-2012)

Bill Gordon is a non-attorney member from Fairbanks. He is a lifelong Alaskan who served as Executive Assistant to Governor Hammond, served as chair of the Alcohol Beverage Control Board, and is a semi-retired consultant and part owner of public water and wastewater companies in interior Alaska. (Term: 2003 - 2009)

Susan Orlansky is an attorney member from Anchorage. She is a partner in the firm of Feldman, Orlansky, and Sanders and has practiced law in Alaska for 25 years. (Term: 2002 - 2008)

Christena Williams is a non-attorney member from Ketchikan. She is a third generation Alaskan and newspaper co-publisher. She and her family own and operate Pioneer Printing Co., Inc. and the Ketchikan Daily News. (Term 2005 - 2011)

See [www.ajc.state.ak.us](http://www.ajc.state.ak.us) for detailed judicial evaluation information

# Judicial Retention Candidates

## Election Day is Tuesday, November 7, 2006

Alaska is made up of four judicial districts. These four judicial districts are divided along different lines than the state's four election regions. This pamphlet contains information for House Districts 6-12 (Election Region III).

Your House District and precinct numbers are printed on your voter registration card and on the mailing label of this pamphlet. They can also be determined by calling 1-888-383-8683 (In Anchorage, 269-8683) or on our website: [www.elections.state.ak.us](http://www.elections.state.ak.us). If you know your House District and precinct number, the following information tells you which judicial retention candidates will be standing for retention in your district.

### All House Districts

All Alaskan voters have the opportunity to vote on the retention of Supreme Court Justices and Judges who serve on the Court of Appeals. There are no Supreme Court Justices or judges who serve on the Court of Appeals up for retention in the 2006 General Election.

### House Districts 6-11

*House Districts 7-11 and most of House District 6 are in the Fourth Judicial District.* If you live in one of these House Districts, you will be voting on the retention of judges in the Fourth Judicial District on Election Day **unless** you live in one of the eight House District 6 precincts listed below.

If you live in one of these two House District 6 precincts, you will be voting for judges in the Second Judicial District:

**Precinct #06-607 Marshall Second Judicial District**

**Precinct #06-655 Russian Mission Second Judicial District**

If you live in one of these six House District 6 precincts, you will be voting for judges in the Third Judicial District:

**Precinct #06-537 Chistochina Third Judicial District**

**Precinct #06-543 Copper Center Third Judicial District**

**Precinct # 06-557 Gakona Third Judicial District**

**Precinct #06-593 Kenny Lake Third Judicial District**

**Precinct #06-613 Mentasta Third Judicial District**

**Precinct #06-695 Tyonek Third Judicial District**

### House District 12

*House District 12 is mostly in the Third Judicial District.* If you live in House District 12, you will be voting on the retention of Judges in the Third Judicial District on Election Day **unless** you live in one of the four House District 12 precincts listed below. If you live in one of these four precincts, you will be voting on the retention of judges in the Fourth Judicial District:

**Precinct #12-010 Big Delta Fourth Judicial District**

**Precinct #12-020 Delta Junction Fourth Judicial District**

**Precinct #12-025 Eielson Fourth Judicial District**

**Precinct #12-035 Salcha Fourth Judicial District**

### SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

#### Superior Court Judge

Judge Richard H. Erlich

Judge Ben Esch

### THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

#### Superior Court Judge

Judge Joel H. Bolger

Judge Harold M. Brown

Judge Charles T. Huguelet

Judge Peter A. Michalski

Judge William F. Morse

Judge Eric Smith

Judge John Suddock

Judge Sen K. Tan

Judge Fred Torrisi

Judge Philip R. Volland

Judge Michael L. Wolverton

#### District Court Judge

Judge Brian K. Clark

Judge William L. Estelle

Judge Gregory L. Heath

Judge David S. Landry

Judge John R. Lohff

Judge Gregory J. Motyka

Judge Sigurd E. Murphy

Judge Stephanie Rhoades

Judge Jack W. Smith

Judge John W. Wolfe

### FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

#### Superior Court Judge

Judge Leonard R. Devaney III

Judge Randy M. Olsen

Judge Mark I. Wood

#### District Court Judge

Judge Winston S. Burbank

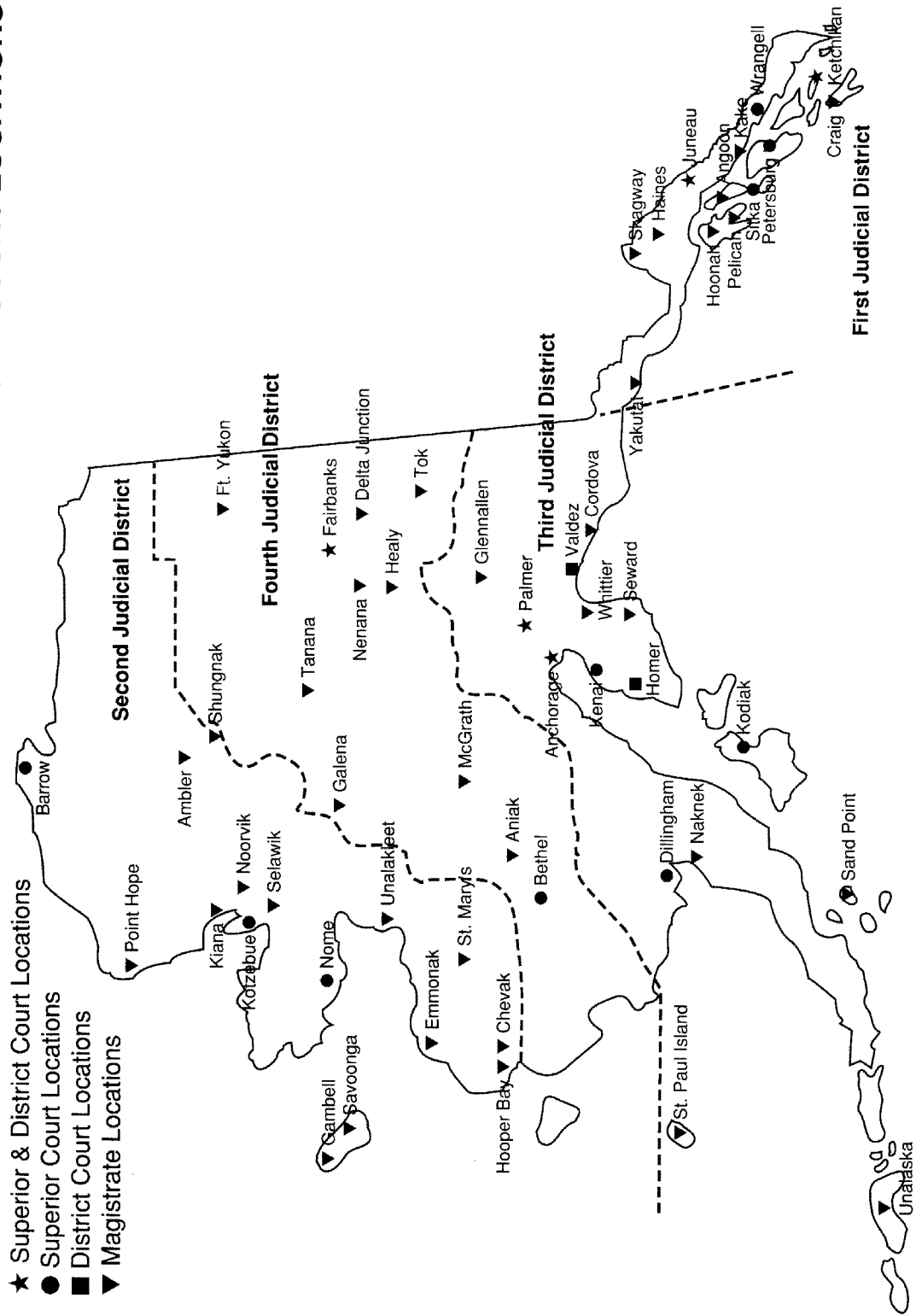
Judge Jane F. Kauver

By law, voters are allowed to decide if judges should be retained. Each judge in Alaska is subject to a retention election after a certain number of years on the bench. The number of years between retention elections depends upon the court in which the judge sits.

**Superior Court:** Voters decide if a judge should be retained for six years.

**District Court:** Voters decide if a judge should be retained for four years.

# ALASKA COURT LOCATIONS







STATE OF ALASKA  
OFFICIAL BALLOT  
GENERAL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 7, 2006

Completely fill in the oval ☐ opposite the name of each candidate or question for whom you wish to vote.

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
CANDIDATES

SUPERIOR COURT

Shall Richard H. Erlich be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Shall Ben Esch be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
CANDIDATES

SUPERIOR COURT

Shall Joel H. Bolger be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Shall Harold M. Brown be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Shall Charles T. Huguelet be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Shall Peter A. Michalski be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Shall William F. Morse be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Shall Eric Smith be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Shall John Suddock be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Shall Sen K. Tan be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Shall Fred Torrisi be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Shall Philip R. Volland be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Shall Michael L. Wolverton be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?

☐ YES

☐ NO

VOTE BOTH SIDES

**THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
CANDIDATES**

| <b>DISTRICT COURT</b>   |  |
|---|--|
| <p>Shall Brian K. Clark be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>     | <p>Shall Gregory J. Motyka be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> |
| <p>Shall William L. Estelle be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> | <p>Shall Sigurd E. Murphy be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>  |
| <p>Shall Gregory L. Heath be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>   | <p>Shall Stephanie Rhoades be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> |
| <p>Shall David S. Landry be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>    | <p>Shall Jack W. Smith be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>     |
| <p>Shall John R. Lohff be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>      | <p>Shall John W. Wolfe be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>     |

**FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
CANDIDATES**

| <b>SUPERIOR COURT</b>  | <b>DISTRICT COURT</b>   |
|--|---|
| <p>Shall Leonard R. Devaney III be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> | <p>Shall Winston S. Burbank be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p> |
| <p>Shall Randy M. Olsen be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>         | <p>Shall Jane F. Kauvar be retained as judge of the district court for four years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>     |
| <p>Shall Mark I. Wood be retained as judge of the superior court for six years?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>           |   |

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# Superior Court Judge

## Richard H. Erlich, Second Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** August 9, 1949

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Montreal, Canada

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Suzy

**CHILDREN:**  
All our children live with their families live in Kotzebue, AK

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:**  
25 years, all in Kotzebue, AK

**EDUCATION:**  
B.A. Antioch College, 1972; J.D. Antioch School of Law, 1980

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
1991-Present, Superior Court Judge; 1983-1991, Proprietor, Law Office of Richard H. Erlich; 1981-1983, President Kikiktagruk Inupiat Corp.; 1975-1978 General Manager, Puyallup Tribe of Indians.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Alaska Bar Association; National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges & member of its Mental Health Subcommittee. Alaska Court System Committees: 1) Court Improvement Project Committee; 2) Advisory Committee On Therapeutic Courts.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Children, grandchildren, walking, and reading.

### STATEMENT:

For the past fifteen years, I have had the privilege and honor of serving as your Superior Court Judge. You must now decide whether you want to keep me in that position.

Over these years, there has been tremendous change in the laws. There have also been great changes in our communities. All of this has affected our lives and our families. The court is involved in all aspects of our lives. Examples of court involvement in our lives not only includes criminal cases, but also domestic violence petitions, minor consuming alcohol, guardianships, divorces, debt collection, child abuse and neglect as well as delinquency. Over the years, there has been a big increase in all these types of cases. We are now learning that because of those convictions, there are jobs we can't get and we can't be foster parents for our extended family.

Although many problems are brought to the court, the reality is that courts may not be the best place to solve the problem. But that means that people have to create other ways of solving their problems. The Court sponsored conferences with Maniilaq Assoc. "Our Children, Our Families, Our Communities" have been an effort to explore other ways of solving problems. The Court's new mural is also a sign of this change.

I have tried to do my job fairly, thoroughly, independently, and with respect for both the law and the people who appear before me. With your approval, I hope to continue to do so.

*Provided and paid for by the candidate. The text of this statement is presented as submitted by the candidate in accordance with AS 15.58.030 and 6 AAC 25.700.*

# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Richard H. Erlich, Superior Court, Kotzebue

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Erlich to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.6                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.0                | 3.1                        | 4.7             | 4.4                         | 5.0   |
| Integrity     | 4.3                | 3.7                        | ---             | 4.6                         | 5.0   |
| Temperament   | 4.1                | 3.2                        | 4.7             | 4.3                         | 4.0   |
| Diligence     | 4.0                | 3.4                        | ---             | 4.4                         | 5.0   |
| Overall       | 3.9                | 3.1                        | 4.7             | 4.6                         | 5.0   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
2.1 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Erlich on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Erlich on overall performance was 3.9. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Erlich on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Erlich a rating of 3.1.

Three other groups also evaluated Judge Erlich's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.7, court employees gave him 4.6, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 5.0.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Richard H. Erlich**

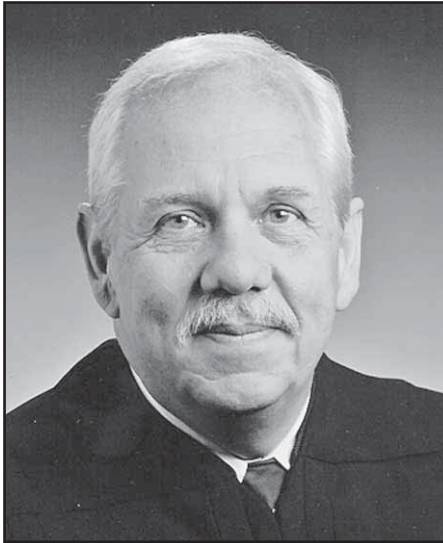
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November 2006

# Superior Court Judge

## Ben Esch, Second Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** January 4, 1945

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Washington, IL

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Jana Varrati

**CHILDREN:** Gianna Varrati,  
Pasquale Varrati,  
Peter Esch

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 33 years, 8 months  
Anchorage 1973-1996  
Nome 1996-present

### **EDUCATION:**

Washington Community Township H.S., 1959-1963;  
MacMurray College, 1963-1967, B.A. Chemistry; Arizona  
State University, 1970-1973, J.D.

### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Member, Governor's Advisory Board on Alcoholism & Drug  
Abuse, 1983-1991; Superior Court Judge, 1996-present.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Chairperson, Alaska Commission on Judicial Conduct;  
Attorney at Law, 1973-1996; Member, Anchorage and  
Alaska Bar Association; Admitted to practice before  
Alaska State and Federal Courts, United States Supreme  
Court.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Member, Pioneers of Alaska, Igloo#1; Director Nome  
Aviation and Military Museum; Finish line checker, Iditarod  
Trail Sled Dog Race.

### **STATEMENT:**

I would like to serve another term as Superior Court Judge. I always try to be consistent, fair, and reasonable in my judicial decisions. I believe I act responsibly in my personal life. I like living in Northwest Alaska and have tried to contribute to my community outside my job. I have visited all of the villages around Nome, except Diomedea. I also often handle cases in Barrow and Kotzebue. I think I know a lot about the people in our area and how they live. I try to use this knowledge every time a case comes into my court.

I have earned a very good report from the lawyers who have appeared before me, as well as from police and probation officers. The other judges in the state have elected me to a position on the Commission on Judicial Conduct. This group polices the ethical conduct of judges, both on the bench and off. I am active on many Court System committees. I provide education and training to the magistrates in the district and also to other judges from around the state. The Alaska Judicial Council recommends my retention.

I would appreciate your vote to retain me as judge on the November 7 ballot.

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by the candidate in accordance with AS 15.58.030 and 6 AAC 25.700.*



# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Ben Esch, Superior Court, Nome

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Esch to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.0                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.1                | 3.9                        | 4.8             | 4.6                         | 4.0   |
| Integrity     | 4.4                | 4.1                        | ---             | 4.4                         | 5.0   |
| Temperament   | 4.1                | 4.1                        | 4.9             | 4.2                         | 4.0   |
| Diligence     | 4.2                | 4.1                        | ---             | 4.5                         | 5.0   |
| Overall       | 4.1                | 4.0                        | 4.9             | 4.4                         | 5.0   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
2.1 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Esch on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Esch on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Esch on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Esch a rating of 4.0.

Three other groups also evaluated Judge Esch's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, court employees gave him 4.4, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 5.0.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Ben Esch**

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November 2006

# Superior Court Judge

## Joel H. Bolger, Third Judicial District

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### STATEMENT:

It has been a great privilege for me to serve as a judge for the past nine years. I will be very honored if the voters allow me to continue this service.

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Carroll, IA

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Cheryl

**CHILDREN:** Stephanie, Jackson

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 26 years

### EDUCATION:

University of Iowa, B.S. Economics, 1973-1976, J.D. 1976-1978.

### POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:

Superior Court Judge, Kodiak, 2003-present; District Court Judge, Valdez, 1997-2003.

### BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Private law practice, 1982-1997; Alaska Public Defender Agency, 1981-1982; Alaska Legal Services Corporation, 1978-1981.

### SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Family activities, backcountry skiing, golf and music.

*Provided and paid for by the candidate. The text of this statement is presented as submitted by the candidate in accordance with AS 15.58.030 and 6 AAC 25.700.*

# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Joel Bolger, Superior Court, Kodiak

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Bolger to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.4                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.5                | 4.4                        | 4.8             | 4.4                         | 4.8   |
| Integrity     | 4.6                | 4.7                        | ---             | 4.5                         | 5.0   |
| Temperament   | 4.5                | 4.5                        | 4.9             | 4.4                         | 5.0   |
| Diligence     | 4.5                | 4.6                        | ---             | 4.5                         | 5.0   |
| Overall       | 4.5                | 4.6                        | 4.9             | 4.5                         | 5.0   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

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### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Bolger on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Bolger on overall performance was 4.5. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Bolger on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Bolger a rating of 4.6.

Three other groups also evaluated Judge Bolger's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, court employees gave him 4.5, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 5.0.

### Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Joel Bolger

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November 2006

# Superior Court Judge

## Harold M. Brown, Third Judicial District



### STATEMENT:

A Superior Court Judge is often faced with difficult choices on controversial issues. That is the nature of the job. To do it well you must work hard to be fair and impartial and make decisions promptly according to law.

It is a great honor to serve on the bench. If the voters decide to retain me, I will continue to do the work of a Superior Court Judge to the best of my ability.

**DATE OF BIRTH:** October 2, 1940  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Colon, Panama  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Susan M. Brown  
**CHILDREN:** Molly C. Brown  
Katy B. MCCutchen

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 35 years  
Kenai 1996-present  
Anchorage 1987-1996  
Juneau 1985-1987  
Ketchikan 1971-1985

**EDUCATION:**  
Colebrook Academy, 1958, Diploma; University of New Hampshire, 1963, B.A.; Boston University School of Law, 1968, LLB, 1974, LLM (Taxation).

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Superior Court Judge, 1996-present; Executive Director, Alaska Judicial Council, 1987-1989; Attorney General, State of Alaska, 1985-1986; District Attorney, Ketchikan, 1971-1973.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
President, Alaska Bar Association; Board of Governors, Alaska Bar Association; Fellow, American Bar Association; Member of various professional organizations.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Fly fishing, Hunting, Reading, PC Gaming.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Harold M. Brown, Superior Court, Kenai

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Brown to be **Qualified** and recommends with a 4-2 vote that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.7                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 3.8                | 4.1                        | 4.8             | 4.0                         | 5.0   |
| Integrity     | 4.1                | 4.5                        | ---             | 4.2                         | 5.0   |
| Temperament   | 3.7                | 4.2                        | 4.9             | 3.7                         | 4.7   |
| Diligence     | 3.6                | 4.0                        | ---             | 4.1                         | 5.0   |
| Overall       | 3.7                | 4.1                        | 4.8             | 4.0                         | 5.0   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
2.1 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Brown on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Brown on overall performance was 3.7. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Brown on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Brown a rating of 4.1.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Brown's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.8, court employees gave him 4.0, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 5.0. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.5.

### Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Harold M. Brown

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# Superior Court Judge

## Charles T. Huguelet, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** October 11, 1958  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Denton, TX  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Donna  
**CHILDREN:** Joseph, Elizabeth  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 16 years  
Anchorage 1990-2003  
Kenai 2003-present

### **EDUCATION:**

Cullowhee High School, 1972-1976; University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1981-1983, A.B.; University of North Carolina School of Law, 1983-1986, J.D.; Air War College, 2001-2002, M.S.

### **MILITARY:**

U.S. Navy, active duty 1976-1979, reserve 1979-1983, Quartermaster Second Class, Submarine Silver Dolphins; U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General Corps, 1986-1990, Lieutenant, Navy Achievement Medal; Alaska Army National Guard, 1992-1998, Major, Army Achievement Medal, Meritorious Service Medal; Alaska Air National Guard, 1998-2006, Lieutenant Colonel, Meritorious Service Medal; U.S. Air Force Reserve, 2006-present, Lieutenant Colonel.

### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Superior Court Judge, 2003-present; Assistant Attorney General, 1999-2003.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Private Law Practice, 1990-1999; Alaska Bar Association; Criminal Pattern Jury Instruction and Therapeutic Courts Committees; Khabarovsk-Alaska Rule of Law Partnership.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

American Judges Association; National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges; Children's Justice Act Task Force, Alaska.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Motorcycles, travel, reading, hunting, fishing.

### **STATEMENT:**

Everyone who comes into the courtroom should be treated with courtesy and genuine respect. I strongly believe that courts exist to serve the community. Judges must resolve disputes fairly, promptly, and according to the law. Judges must also be mindful of jurors' family and job obligations.

It has been an honor to serve the Kenai Peninsula as a Superior Court Judge for three years. If I am retained, I will do my utmost to be fair, impartial, and worthy of your trust.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Charles T. Huguelet, Superior Court, Kenai

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Huguelet to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmation and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.6                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 3.9                | 3.4                        | 4.7             | 4.0                         | 4.4   |
| Integrity     | 4.2                | 4.0                        | ---             | 4.1                         | 4.5   |
| Temperament   | 3.9                | 3.7                        | 4.8             | 4.2                         | 4.5   |
| Diligence     | 3.8                | 3.4                        | ---             | 4.2                         | 4.5   |
| Overall       | 3.7                | 3.5                        | 4.7             | 4.2                         | 4.6   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
2.1 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Huguelet on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Huguelet on overall performance was 3.7. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Huguelet on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Huguelet a rating of 3.5.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Huguelet's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.7, court employees gave him 4.2, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.6. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.3.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Charles T. Huguelet**

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# Superior Court Judge

## Peter A. Michalski, Third Judicial District



### STATEMENT:

It has been an honor to serve the people of Alaska as a superior court judge. I try to be fair and patient with all who come before the court. I am grateful for the recommendations of the Alaska Judicial Council, the members of the Alaska Bar Association, peace officers, jurors and all who appear before the court.

It is my hope to continue to serve the people of this state and to increase productivity and efficiency within the court system while maintaining consideration for the individual needs of each case.

**DATE OF BIRTH:** April 14, 1946  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Saint Paul, MN  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Jo Michalski  
**CHILDREN:** Matthew and Nathan  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 35 years  
Juneau 1971-1973  
Fairbanks 1973-1977  
Anchorage 1977-present

### EDUCATION:

St. Cloud Technical High School, 1961-1964, diploma;  
University of Minnesota, College of Liberal Arts, 1964-1968, B.A.; University of Minnesota, Law School, 1968-1971, J.D.

### MILITARY:

U.S. Army, Commission through R.O.T.C., Active duty for training only.

### POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:

Assistant Attorney General, 1971-1973; Assistant District Attorney, 1973-1977; Assistant Attorney General, Chief, Special Prosecutions and Appeals, 1977-1985; Superior Court Judge, 1985-present.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Peter A. Michalski, Superior Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Michalski to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.0                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.1                | 4.1                        | 4.9             | 4.2                         | 4.4   |
| Integrity     | 4.4                | 4.2                        | ---             | 4.5                         | 4.6   |
| Temperament   | 4.3                | 4.2                        | 5.0             | 4.2                         | 4.3   |
| Diligence     | 4.0                | 4.2                        | ---             | 4.4                         | 4.4   |
| Overall       | 4.1                | 4.0                        | 4.9             | 4.4                         | 4.4   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent

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3.0 = Acceptable

2.1 = Deficient

1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Michalski on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Michalski on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Michalski on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Michalski a rating of 4.0.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Michalski's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, court employees gave him 4.4, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.4. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.1.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Peter A. Michalski**

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# Superior Court Judge

## William F. Morse, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** October 1, 1953

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Huntington, NY

**SPOUSE:** Married

**CHILDREN:** Two daughters

**EDUCATION:**

University of Virginia, B.A. with Distinction (History), 1977;  
Lewis and Clark Law School, J.D., 1980.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Assistant Public Defender, 1981-1990; Assistant Attorney General, 1990-1991; Associate General Counsel IBEW, 1991-1996; Assistant Attorney General, 1996-2002; Superior Court Judge, 2002-present.

**STATEMENT:**

It has been an honor to serve the people of the State of Alaska for the past four years as a Superior Court Judge.

I have attempted to treat every person who appears before me, whether as a party, a lawyer, a witness or a potential juror, with respect and impartiality. It is essential that each leaves the courtroom feeling that the judge has understood the impact that the matter bringing that person to the court has had on him or her, that he or she has had a full opportunity to be heard, and that the judge has impartially considered all sides of the dispute. I think it is important that a judge attempt to assist the parties resolve their disputes themselves, but be capable of making difficult decisions if the parties are not able to come to an agreement.

I enjoy the challenges and responsibilities of being a judge and hope to be allowed to continue to serve the people of Alaska.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge William F. Morse, Superior Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Morse to be **Qualified** and recommends with a 5-1 vote that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.8                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 3.5                | 4.7                        | 4.8             | 4.3                         | 3.8   |
| Integrity     | 4.0                | 4.7                        | ---             | 4.4                         | 4.0   |
| Temperament   | 3.2                | 4.7                        | 4.9             | 4.1                         | 3.4   |
| Diligence     | 3.8                | 4.7                        | ---             | 4.5                         | 4.1   |
| Overall       | 3.5                | 4.7                        | 4.9             | 4.3                         | 3.9   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
2.1 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Morse on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Morse on overall performance was 3.5. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Morse on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Morse a rating of 4.7.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Morse's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, court employees gave him 4.3, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 3.9. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.5.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge William F. Morse**

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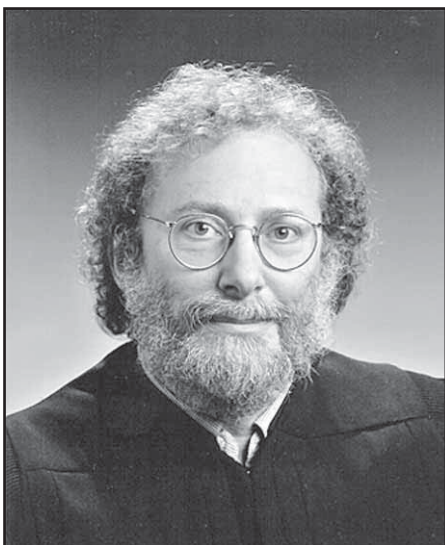
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# Superior Court Judge

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## Eric Smith, Third Judicial District



### STATEMENT:

I have been honored to serve the people of the Mat-Su Valley as a Superior Court Judge for the past ten years. I believe that a judge must be a problem solver in resolving all of the cases he or she may hear. In addition to standard approaches, I must consider methods of alternative dispute resolution in my efforts to best serve the Valley. I look forward, to continuing this work over the next six years.

**DATE OF BIRTH:** April 15, 1953

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** New York, New York

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Mary Kancewick

**CHILDREN:** Matthew, David, Sijo

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 24 years

Eagle River 1982-1985

Chugiak 1995-2001

Eagle River 2001-present

### EDUCATION:

Swarthmore College, 1971-1975, B.A.; Yale Law School, 1976-1979, J.D.

### POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:

Staff Attorney for U.S.E.P.A., 1979-1982

### BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Executive Director of non-profit organization, 1982-1986;  
Private Practice, 1986-1996.

### SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:

Khabarovak-Alaska Rule of Law Steering Committee; Mat-Su Youth Court; volunteer for public radio station; work with schools.

### SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Family time, hiking, skiing, running, camping, music, woodworking.

*Provided and paid for by the candidate. The text of this statement is presented as submitted by the candidate in accordance with AS 15.58.030 and 6 AAC 25.700.*

# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Eric Smith, Superior Court, Palmer

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Eric Smith to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.2                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.1                | 3.9                        | 4.9             | 4.4                         | 5.0   |
| Integrity     | 4.3                | 4.2                        | ---             | 4.5                         | 5.0   |
| Temperament   | 4.1                | 3.9                        | 4.9             | 4.4                         | 5.0   |
| Diligence     | 4.2                | 4.0                        | ---             | 4.4                         | 3.0   |
| Overall       | 4.1                | 3.9                        | 4.9             | 4.4                         | 4.0   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
2.1 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Eric Smith on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Eric Smith on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Eric Smith on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Eric Smith a rating of 3.9.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Eric Smith's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, court employees gave him 4.4, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.0. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.4.

### Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Eric Smith

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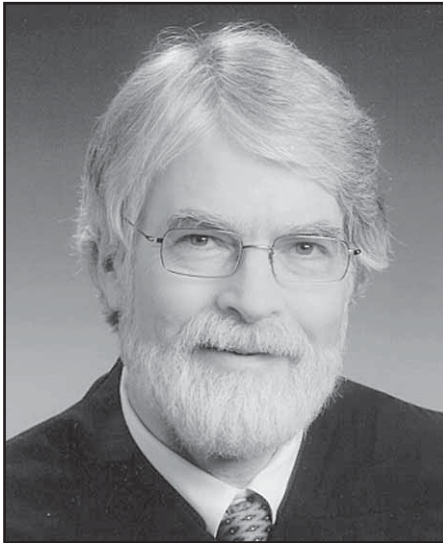
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# Superior Court Judge

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## John Suddock, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** October 18, 1948  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Anchorage, AK  
**CHILDREN:** Matt (24), Katy (22)  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 W. 4th Avenue  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** Lifelong

**EDUCATION:**

West Anchorage High School (1966); Stanford University (B.A. Political Science 1970); University of California Berkeley (Boalt Hall, J.D. 1975).

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Clerk, Alaska Supreme Court, summer 1975. Assistant Public Defender (1976-79).

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Civil litigation 1979-2003, with gratitude to my partners Larry Kulik, Steve Hart, Bob Libbey, and Christine Schleuss, and colleagues Eric Sanders, Jeff Feldman, and Myron Angstman.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) 1970-72; Chairman, Aurora Community Broadcasting (KSKA), 1978-1979; President, Alaska Academy of Trial Lawyers, 1992; Board of Governors, American Trial Lawyers Association, 1990-1992; Past Chairman, Pro Bono Committee, and member, Fee Arbitration Panel, Alaska Bar Association; Civil Pattern Jury Instruction Committee.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Kayaking; jazz piano (novice); tennis; French and Spanish.

**OTHER:**

My parents came to Alaska in the latter 1930's. They have both passed, but I feel their influence often.

**STATEMENT:**

I have been a superior court judge for almost four years. The time has gone quickly because the work is so varied and enriching. Civil judges spend the majority of their time on divorces and family law. I reacquainted myself with the developmental needs of young children, and then tried to do the best I could by children of all ages. I encouraged parents to resolve their monetary and custodial disputes in the context of guided settlement conferences so that outcomes were owned, not imposed. I recently became a criminal law judge, which brings with it a separate set of demands and challenges, with a unique and awesome responsibility.

A court system which is functioning well—that is, a court dedicated to serving the people, from the powerful to the bereft—is a cornerstone of a decent society. I am humbled to be a very junior member of your superior court, and to try to grow year by year into the multifaceted demands of the job.

# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge John Suddock, Superior Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.1                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 3.9                | 3.8                        | 4.9             | 3.8                         | 4.4   |
| Integrity     | 4.2                | 3.8                        | ---             | 3.9                         | 4.4   |
| Temperament   | 3.9                | 3.7                        | 4.9             | 3.8                         | 4.2   |
| Diligence     | 4.0                | 3.9                        | ---             | 4.0                         | 4.3   |
| Overall       | 3.9                | 3.6                        | 4.9             | 4.0                         | 4.4   |

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#### Rating Scale

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### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Suddock on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Suddock on overall performance was 3.9. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Suddock on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Suddock a rating of 3.6.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Suddock's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, court employees gave him 4.0, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.4. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.2.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge John Suddock**

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# Superior Court Judge

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## Sen K. Tan, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** May 1, 1955  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Averil Lerman  
**CHILDREN:** Rushi Lerman-Tan,  
Yinshi Lerman-Tan

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 24 years  
Anchorage 1982-2006

**EDUCATION:**  
Victoria Institution, 1968-1975, GED (equivalent); The University of Kent, Canterbury, England, 1975-1978 (B.A. Hons. Law); Northeastern University School of Law, 1979-1982, J.D.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Superior Court Judge, 1997-present; Assistant Attorney General, 1989-1996; Assistant Public Defender, 1983-1989; Law Clerk, Judge Shortell, 1982-1983.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Alaska Bar Association.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Travel, music, tennis, reading.

### STATEMENT:

Since 1997 it has been my privilege and honor to serve the people of the State of Alaska as a superior court judge.

In making decisions I treat all litigants equally and impartially, regardless of their gender, wealth, ethnicity, political or social affiliations. I strive to be compassionate, reasonable, and practical in deciding the cases that come before me.

I believe our courts should be accessible to all people, including those who represent themselves. I treat everyone who comes to court—litigants, witnesses, lawyers, and jurors—respectfully and courteously.

The work of a superior court judge is to resolve hundreds of disputes each year. I ensure that each case, whether large or small, gets the attention it needs. Often, small dollar cases deeply affect those involved and require a significant amount of time to resolve.

I am proud of the support I received from Alaskan voters in the past retention election and welcome the opportunity to continue to serve the citizens of Alaska as a judge. I will continue to carry out the duties of the office to the best of my abilities.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Sen K. Tan, Superior Court Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Tan to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.3                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.4                | 3.8                        | 5.0             | 4.6                         | 3.7   |
| Integrity     | 4.6                | 4.0                        | ---             | 4.8                         | 4.1   |
| Temperament   | 4.4                | 3.6                        | 5.0             | 4.7                         | 3.6   |
| Diligence     | 4.2                | 3.7                        | ---             | 4.7                         | 4.1   |
| Overall       | 4.3                | 3.7                        | 5.0             | 4.7                         | 3.9   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
2.1 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Tan on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Tan on overall performance was 4.3. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Tan on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Tan a rating of 3.7.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Tan's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 5.0, court employees gave him 4.7, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 3.9. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.8.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Sen K. Tan**

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# Superior Court Judge

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## Fred Torrasi, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** June 8, 1948

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Pittsfield, MA

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Linda Rabideau

**CHILDREN:** John Mihai Torrasi

**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** Wood River Road,  
Dillingham, AK 99576

**MAILING ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 909  
Dillingham, AK 99576

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 32 years

**OCCUPATION:** Judge

**EDUCATION:**  
University of Notre Dame, B.S., physics, 1970; University of Maine, J.D., 1974.

**MILITARY:**  
U.S. Army Reserves, 1970-1978 (inactive).

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Contract public defender, contract municipal attorney for cities of Togiak and Dillingham, and contract with Office of Public Advocacy (criminal and children's cases).

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Private practice in Dillingham, 1979-1996; solo 1979-1983 and 1993-1996, and partner, Torrasi & Snyder, 1983-1993. Alaska Legal Services Corp. VISTA, staff and supervising attorney, Dillingham and Fairbanks, 1974-1978.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Skiing, camping, fishing, hiking and exploring with my family; softball, reading.

### STATEMENT:

This is the 50th anniversary of the State Constitution. I take this opportunity to say thank you to those who worked on it and who helped make Alaska a state. Those of us who take the oath to support and defend the United States and Alaska Constitutions are fortunate to have such clear and strong documents to guide us.

What I like about the judicial system is that we still work on cases one at a time. As the world becomes more crowded and complex, pressure grows to standardize, and it is true that increasing caseloads demand greater efficiency. But we still give every litigant an opportunity to be heard. This helps us reach the right outcome more often, and to have our decisions understood and respected.

If the people vote to retain me, I will do my best to continue to hear what people are saying, and to treat the parties, witnesses, victims, jurors and lawyers with courtesy and respect.

Thank you.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Fred Torrissi, Superior Court, Dillingham

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Torrissi to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.2                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.3                | 4.0                        | 4.8             | 4.4                         | 5.0   |
| Integrity     | 4.5                | 4.2                        | ---             | 4.4                         | 4.7   |
| Temperament   | 4.4                | 4.1                        | 4.8             | 4.5                         | 4.3   |
| Diligence     | 4.3                | 4.3                        | ---             | 4.4                         | 4.3   |
| Overall       | 4.3                | 4.1                        | 4.8             | 4.4                         | 4.3   |

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#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
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3.0 = Acceptable  
2.1 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Torrissi on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Torrissi on overall performance was 4.3. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Torrissi on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Torrissi a rating of 4.1.

Three other groups also evaluated Judge Torrissi's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.8, court employees gave him 4.4, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.3.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Fred Torrissi**

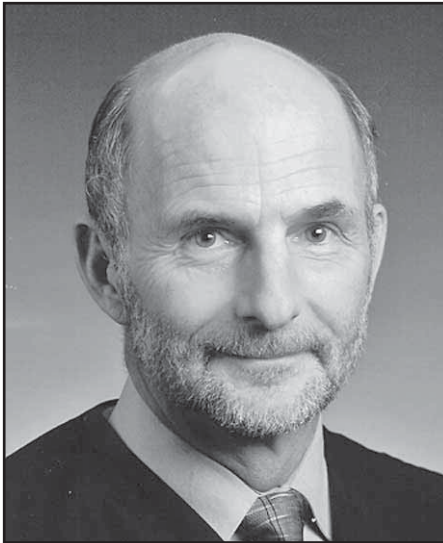
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# Superior Court Judge

## Philip R. Volland, Third Judicial District



### STATEMENT:

I would be honored to have the opportunity to serve the court system and the community for another term.

**DATE OF BIRTH:** November 2, 1950

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Buffalo, NY

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Mauri E. Long

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 29 years  
Anchorage 1977-present

### EDUCATION:

Cardinal O'Hara High School, Buffalo, NY, 1964-1968;  
Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH, 1968-1972 (B.A. Degree);  
New York University School of Law, New York City, NY,  
1973-1976 (J.D. Degree).

### POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:

Commissioner, Alaska Public Offices Commission, 1997-2000.

### BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Member, Board of Governors, Alaska Bar Association 1990-1996; President, Alaska Bar Association, 1993-1994; Member, Joint State/ Federal Court Gender Equality Task Force, 1993-1994; Member, Special Supreme Court Committee For Review of Code of Judicial Conduct; 1992-1994; Member, Civil Rules Committee, 1996-2000; Member, Criminal Rules Committee, 2002-present.

### SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Hockey, Woodturning.

### OTHER:

Private practice of law in Anchorage 1980-2002.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Philip R. Volland, Superior Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Volland to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.4                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.4                | 4.2                        | 4.9             | 4.5                         | 3.0   |
| Integrity     | 4.5                | 4.3                        | ---             | 4.5                         | 3.2   |
| Temperament   | 4.4                | 4.1                        | 5.0             | 4.6                         | 3.0   |
| Diligence     | 4.5                | 4.3                        | ---             | 4.6                         | 2.8   |
| Overall       | 4.5                | 4.3                        | 4.9             | 4.6                         | 3.0   |

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#### Rating Scale

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### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Volland on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Volland on overall performance was 4.5. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Volland on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Volland a rating of 4.3.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Volland's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, court employees gave him 4.6, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 3.0. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.6.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Philip R. Volland**

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# Superior Court Judge

## Michael L. Wolverton, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** May 27, 1950  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Mankato, MN  
**CHILDREN:** Rebecca and Scot  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 26 years  
Anchorage 1980-present

**EDUCATION:**  
Mankato Senior High, 1965-1968; Mankato University, 1968-1972, B.A.; University of Minnesota School of Law, 1974-1977, J.D.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Anchorage Superior Court, 1996-present; Anchorage District Court, 1988-1996 (pro-tem 1983-1986); Alaska Public Defender Agency, 1980-1984, 1986-1988; Superior Court Law Clerk, 1980; Peace Corps Volunteer, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Office of the Public Defender, 1977-1980, Acting Chief, 1979.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Former Member, Board of Governors; Alaska Bar Association, 1988.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
First Christian Church.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Family, coaching, traveling, biking, hunting.

### STATEMENT:

Since graduation from law school I have committed myself to a career of public service. I continue to enjoy the challenges of serving on the bench, and I am thankful for the opportunity I have had to serve the people of Alaska in my capacity as a judge.

Throughout my service as a superior and district court judge I have volunteered to handle court dockets in a number of Alaska communities, and I will continue to travel outside of Anchorage in the next term. I have also served by pro-tem appointment on the court of appeals, and I have served on various justice system committees.

The Judicial branch of our government faces significant challenges, and I look forward to the continued opportunity to serve the people of Alaska by meeting these challenges head on.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Michael L. Wolverton, Superior Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Wolverton to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.0                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.2                | 3.6                        | 4.8             | 4.7                         | 4.0   |
| Integrity     | 4.4                | 3.9                        | ---             | 4.7                         | 4.0   |
| Temperament   | 4.3                | 3.6                        | 4.9             | 4.7                         | 3.5   |
| Diligence     | 4.0                | 3.6                        | ---             | 4.6                         | 4.0   |
| Overall       | 4.2                | 3.6                        | 4.9             | 4.7                         | 4.0   |

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#### Rating Scale

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### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Wolverton on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Wolverton on overall performance was 4.2. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Wolverton on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Wolverton a rating of 3.6.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Wolverton's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, court employees gave him 4.7, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.0. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.5.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Michael L. Wolverton**

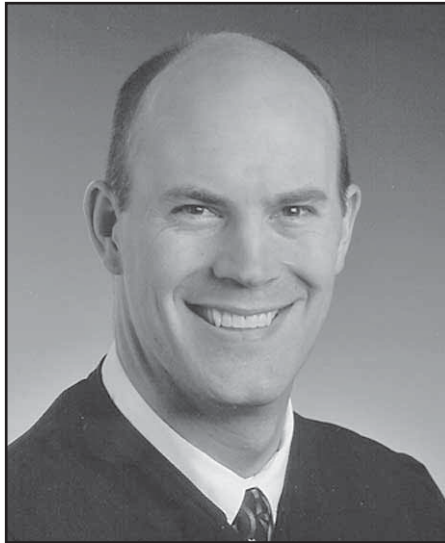
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# District Court Judge

## Brian K. Clark, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** August 4, 1966  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Midland, TX  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 W. Fourth Avenue  
Anchorage, AK 99501  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 33 years  
Anchorage 1972-1994, 1997-present  
Fairbanks 1994, September-  
December 7, 1994  
Barrow December 7, 1994-1997

**EDUCATION:**  
Dimond High School, Anchorage, AK, 1980-1984,  
Diploma; University of Colorado Boulder, 1984-1988, B.A.  
Linguistics; Willamette University, College of Law, Salem,  
OR, 1988-1991, J.D.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Law Clerk, Oregon Department of Justice, 1989-1991;  
Law Clerk, Alaska Court of Appeals, Judge David  
Mannheimer, 1991-1992; Assistant District Attorney,  
Anchorage, Palmer, Fairbanks, Barrow, 1994-2000;  
Assistant Attorney General, Office of Special Prosecutions  
and Appeals, 2000-2001; Chief Assistant Attorney  
General, Office of Special Prosecutions and Appeals,  
2001-2002.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Lawyer, Lane Powell Spears Lubersky, 1992-1994.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Alaska Bar Association.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Hiking, Tennis, Reading.

### STATEMENT:

I have lived in Alaska since 1972. After attending college and law school, I returned because of my strong desire to stay in Alaska and serve the community where I was raised. As an Assistant District Attorney and Assistant Attorney General in Anchorage, Barrow, Fairbanks, and Palmer, I became familiar with the issues that face all Alaskans when they become involved with our justice system. This experience has enabled me to deal efficiently with the high volume of cases in the Anchorage district court. In criminal cases, I strive to make sentencing decisions that meet both the needs of the community and the victim, as well as addressing a defendant's rehabilitation. In civil cases, I listen carefully to the parties and take the time to reach decisions that are well reasoned and just.

Equally important is the effect my experience has had upon reinforcing my commitment to treat everyone who becomes involved in our justice system fairly and with respect. To that end, I have greatly enjoyed both serving and being a member of this community for the past 33 years, and I hope to continue serving as a judge in Anchorage.

# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Brian K. Clark, District Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Clark to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a district court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.2                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.4                | 4.5                        | 5.0             | 4.5                         | ---   |
| Integrity     | 4.5                | 4.6                        | ---             | 4.5                         | ---   |
| Temperament   | 4.4                | 4.5                        | 5.0             | 4.6                         | ---   |
| Diligence     | 4.4                | 4.5                        | ---             | 4.5                         | ---   |
| Overall       | 4.3                | 4.5                        | 5.0             | 4.6                         | ---   |

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#### Rating Scale

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1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Clark on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Clark on overall performance was 4.3. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Clark on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Clark a rating of 4.5.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Clark's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 5.0, and court employees gave him 4.6. There were no responses from social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.6.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Brian K. Clark**

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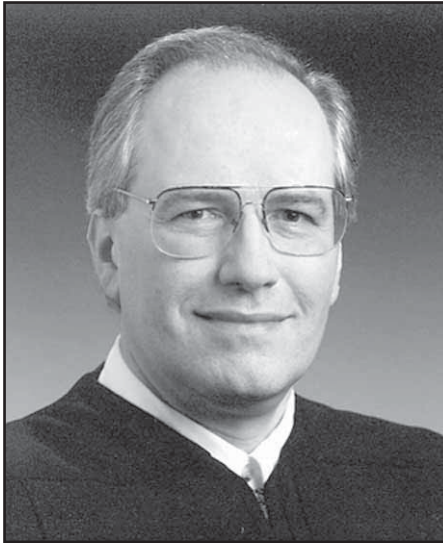
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# District Court Judge

## William L. Estelle, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** July 11, 1954

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Palmer, AK

**CHILDREN:** Five (two biological) all grown

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 52 years  
Palmer 1954-1973, 1987-present  
Anchorage 1973-1985  
Bethel 1985-1987

**EDUCATION:**  
Palmer High School; UAA 1973-1980, B.B.A.; Duke Law School, 1980-1983, Juris Doctor.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Law Clerk; Assistant Attorney General; Assistant District Attorney; State District Court Judge.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Past President, Matanuska Bar Association.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Palmer Historical Society, Alaska Historical Society.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
History, gardening, hiking and skiing.

**OTHER:**  
The Palmer Court has developed a number of innovations to manage growth. Both our "Evening Court" and our "Mental Health Court" have been well received and successful. After working to help establish a mental health court in Palmer, I have sought additional training in the area of mental health court issues. Therapeutic Courts for alcohol and drug offenses are possible. I have the honor and privilege of serving in my hometown. Palmer's history stems from a tradition of social innovation and rehabilitation programs. This tradition continues in the Palmer court.

### STATEMENT:

Palmer District Court is the "ounce of prevention" court. We deal with the majority of the courts' cases and deal with the widest variety of human misfortune. We look for each case's "silver lining" on the theory that what the individual person learns can help them avoid returning to court.

The court is managing growth through innovations. Our new "Evening Court" has been well received by those citizens and officers who find the daytime court hours inconvenient.

Our new "Mental Health Court" (Palmer Coordinated Resources Project or CRP) provides a treatment-oriented alternative to the regular Misdemeanor Trial and Jail phases. Instead, these folks must commit to a long-term treatment plan, with case manager supervision and court review hearings to assess progress and adjust levels or frequency of contacts.

These offenders are often more expensive to protect in a prison setting. However, getting a commitment to hard, long-term, structured work on their particular issues, generates far more public benefits than just financial savings. Longer lasting are the benefits to self, to family and to friends and neighbors. The growing confidence, health and self-respect that shows on the faces of the participants are a reward both to the court and to the other participants.

People remember most, about a court experience, whether they are shown respect, listened to, and treated fairly. Patience, respect and understanding go a long way toward helping people in difficulty to see their way out of trouble and to a better future.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge William L. Estelle, District Court, Palmer

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council, finds Judge Estelle to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a district court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.8                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 3.8                | 3.7                        | 4.9             | 3.5                         | ---   |
| Integrity     | 4.0                | 4.1                        | ---             | 3.4                         | ---   |
| Temperament   | 3.8                | 3.5                        | 4.9             | 3.2                         | ---   |
| Diligence     | 3.8                | 3.9                        | ---             | 3.0                         | ---   |
| Overall       | 3.8                | 3.7                        | 4.9             | 3.3                         | ---   |

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#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
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1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Estelle on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Estelle on overall performance was 3.8. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Estelle on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Estelle a rating of 3.7.

Three other groups were also asked to evaluate Judge Estelle's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, and court employees gave him 3.3. There were no responses from social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge William L. Estelle**

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# District Court Judge

## Gregory L. Heath, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** September 18, 1956  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** San Diego, CA  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Phyllis Heath  
**CHILDREN:** Sarah (David), Melissa (Ryan),  
Joel, Michael

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 13 years  
Palmer 1993-present

### **EDUCATION:**

Madison High School, San Diego, California, Diploma;  
University of Montana, Missoula, Montana, B.A.  
History/Political Science; University of Montana School of  
Law, Missoula, Montana, J.D. with Honors.

### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

District Court Judge, 2003-present; Palmer Assistant  
Public Defender, 1994-2003; Superior Court Law Clerk,  
1993-1994.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Palmer Mental Health Court.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Bar Association.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family Activities, Church, Travel, Fishing, Hunting.

### **STATEMENT:**

It has been my honor to serve the Matanuska-Susitna community and the State of Alaska as District Court Judge. In the District Court, most Alaskans experience their first contact with the judicial system. It is my belief that all individuals who come before the court deserve to be treated with dignity and respect. Therefore, I have diligently worked to enhance the administration of justice and the accessibility of the system to the public. It is imperative to the integrity of the system and the individuals involved that every case be reviewed with acute attentiveness and conscientious consideration. My ultimate goal is to demonstrate assiduous care as I listen and assess criminal and civil cases. I hope that each person who appears in my court walks away from the process feeling they had an opportunity to express their state of affairs and knowing that I regarded them with respect.

During the last year, I have been responsible for implementing and overseeing the Palmer Coordinated Resource Program (CRP). The CRP is a therapeutic court that handles cases with defendants who have cognitive or mental disabilities. The court is proving to be a major success in reducing recidivism. My involvement not only includes managing the court procedures but also educating the community concerning the value of a CRP. I look forward to continuing to work with this significant program and similarly participating in a drug and alcohol court when one is established in Palmer.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Gregory Louis Heath, District Court, Palmer

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Heath to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a district court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.9                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.1                | 3.9                        | 4.9             | 4.4                         | ---   |
| Integrity     | 4.2                | 4.2                        | ---             | 4.5                         | ---   |
| Temperament   | 4.1                | 4.0                        | 4.9             | 4.3                         | ---   |
| Diligence     | 4.0                | 3.9                        | ---             | 4.3                         | ---   |
| Overall       | 4.1                | 3.9                        | 4.8             | 4.5                         | ---   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
2.1 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Heath on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Heath on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Heath on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Heath a rating of 3.9.

Four other groups were also asked to evaluate Judge Heath's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.8, and court employees gave him 4.5. There were no responses from social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.1.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Gregory Louis Heath**

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# District Court Judge

## David S. Landry, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** July 21, 1951  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Tisdale, Saskatchewan, Canada  
**CHILDREN:** Thomas (15), Tanner (13), Taylor (9), Tristan (7)

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 25 years  
Kenai 1981-present  
(including Soldotna and Nikiski)

**EDUCATION:**  
Holley High School, 1969, Regents Diploma; Roberts Wesleyan College, 1969-1971; Seattle Pacific University, 1972-1974, B.A.; Western New England College, School of Law, 1991, J.D.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
District Court Judge, 2004-present; Magistrate, 1999-2004.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Fishing, camping, hiking soccer, basketball, my boys.

**OTHER:**  
Diverse work background: farmer, professional soccer player, college instructor and coach, oilfield worker, IBEW telephone technician; Soccer Coach, Kenai Central High School since 1997. (Boy's Varsity Coach since 2001); Long-time supporter of Boys and Girls Club in Kenai; Coach and parent volunteer.

### STATEMENT:

It has been my privilege to serve as a judicial officer in the Kenai District Court for the last seven years - 5 as Magistrate, 2 as District Court Judge. I ask voters to retain me for another term. I will continue to serve the public fairly and impartially.

While the Judicial Council has taken a position against my retention, I respectfully disagree with their statement of reasons.

Delegating judicial authority: pre-signed orders were a local court procedure instituted before my time. When I discovered problems with the way these orders were being filled out by prosecutors, I discontinued this procedure immediately.

Timely trial of criminal cases: I do not have support staff to assist me with my extremely heavy case load, so I had to dismiss a small number of cases for failure to meet speedy trial deadlines, out of hundreds of cases that I handled in 2005. I believe this problem was a system failure; it has been corrected.

Inappropriate sexual comments: I do not believe I ever made such comments in open court. My sense of humor and informal style may have resulted in inappropriate comments outside of court. When confronted with complaints, I took them to heart, and can assure everyone that this will not happen again.

Appearance of favoritism: My record clearly demonstrates that parties, jurors, victims and attorneys are treated with fairness, respect, and civility. My evaluations by attorneys, peace officers and jurors are uniformly positive and in support of my retention.



# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge David S. Landry, District Court, Kenai

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, their demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. After receiving a number of reports and comments from those who work with and appear before Judge Landry, the Judicial Council undertook an additional investigation including a review of court records and interviews with over forty people. The Judicial Council's vote relied only on evidence that was corroborated. Based on this investigation, the Judicial Council had considerable concerns about Judge Landry's pattern of poor judgment in a number of areas including: inappropriately delegating judicial authority by handing out blank pre-signed orders to prosecutors, which allowed them to set bail and schedule hearings without further court order; while administering the criminal court calendar, failing to monitor and ensure the timely trial of criminal cases, resulting in dismissal of at least fourteen criminal cases within a year for failure to provide a speedy trial under applicable court rules; making inappropriate sexual comments both in and out of the courtroom, which continued after receipt of warnings; and creating the appearance of favoritism and partiality in handling court cases. The Judicial Council finds Judge Landry to be **Unqualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "No" on his retention as a district court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.7                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 3.9                | 4.1                        | 4.8             | 3.5                         | 5.0   |
| Integrity     | 4.1                | 4.3                        | ---             | 3.6                         | 5.0   |
| Temperament   | 4.1                | 4.4                        | 4.9             | 3.8                         | 5.0   |
| Diligence     | 3.8                | 4.1                        | ---             | 3.5                         | 5.0   |
| Overall       | 3.8                | 4.2                        | 4.8             | 3.7                         | 5.0   |

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**Rating Scale**  
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### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Landry on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Landry on overall performance was 3.8. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Landry on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Landry a rating of 4.2. Three other groups also evaluated Judge Landry's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.8, court employees gave him 3.7, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 5.0.

**Recommendation: Vote "NO" on the retention of Judge David S. Landry**

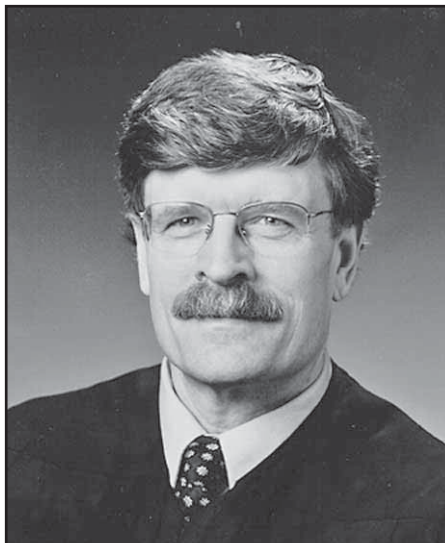
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# District Court Judge

## John R. Lohff, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** December 29, 1943  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Des Moines, IA  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Nancy Blunck  
**CHILDREN:** Katherine  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 W. Fourth Avenue  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 30 years  
Anchorage 1975-present

### **EDUCATION:**

West High School (Waterloo, Iowa), 1959-1962, Diploma;  
University of Iowa (Iowa City, Iowa), 1962-1967, B.A.  
Political Science; Golden Gate University (San Francisco,  
California), 1970-1973, J.D.

### **MILITARY:**

U.S. Army, 7 years, 9 months of active duty, Captain,  
Bronze Star (Viet Nam service) Joint Service  
Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal,  
Ranger, Air Borne.

### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Policeman (San Francisco), during law school, 1970-1971;  
Park Ranger in Yosemite, California, Summer 1971.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Alaska Bar Association Executive Director, 1979; private  
Practice of law, 1979-1991.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Bar Association.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family activities, camping, hiking, wood working, boat  
building, mountain climbing, reading, church.

### **STATEMENT:**

The district court in Anchorage has the highest volume of cases in the state. It is always a challenge to manage the competition between prompt case management and the individual case attention required for measured justice. A judge must take the time to listen to all the parties who appear in court in order to deal with them fairly. I believe that my 15 years as a judge show that I accomplish these important tasks very capably.

In both criminal and civil cases, I continue my commitment to perform my duties to the highest standards. I work hard to treat all parties fairly, decide justly, and to apply all required penalties with certainty and compassion. Finally, I strive to maintain the high degree of integrity required of all judges. It is my earnest desire and hope to continue these important tasks for the people of Alaska.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge John R. Lohff, District Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Lohff to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a district court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.9                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.1                | 3.7                        | 4.9             | 4.3                         | 4.0   |
| Integrity     | 4.2                | 3.8                        | ---             | 4.4                         | 4.0   |
| Temperament   | 4.2                | 3.6                        | 4.9             | 4.3                         | 4.0   |
| Diligence     | 4.0                | 3.6                        | ---             | 4.3                         | 4.0   |
| Overall       | 4.1                | 3.7                        | 4.9             | 4.4                         | 4.0   |

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#### Rating Scale

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### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Lohff on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Lohff on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Lohff on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Lohff a rating of 3.7.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Lohff's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, court employees gave him 4.4, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.0. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.7.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge John R. Lohff**

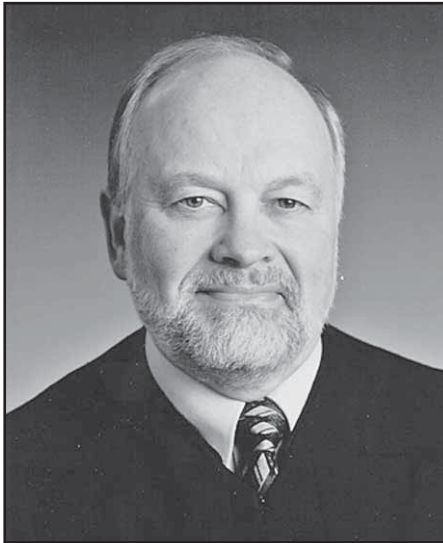
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# District Court Judge

## Gregory J. Motyka, Third Judicial District



### STATEMENT:

By the time of the election, I will have been on the District Court bench for 15 years. I expect this will be my last retention election.

It has been and continues to be, an honor to serve the people of Alaska as a District Court Judge.

**DATE OF BIRTH:** April 3, 1950  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Brooklyn, NY  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Jennifer Jones  
**CHILDREN:** Jason and Brett Motyka  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 26 years  
Anchorage 1980-present  
**EDUCATION:**  
Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, 1967-1971, B.S. in Chemistry; Brooklyn Law School, 1972-1976, J.D.  
**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
District Court Judge, Anchorage.  
**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Deputy Presiding Judge, District Court.  
**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Golf, Saint Bernards, Woodworking.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Gregory J. Motyka, District Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.1                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.2                | 4.2                        | 4.8             | 4.2                         | ---   |
| Integrity     | 4.3                | 4.3                        | ---             | 4.3                         | ---   |
| Temperament   | 4.1                | 4.2                        | 4.9             | 4.2                         | ---   |
| Diligence     | 4.1                | 4.2                        | ---             | 4.1                         | ---   |
| Overall       | 4.2                | 4.2                        | 4.8             | 4.2                         | ---   |

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### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Motyka on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Motyka on overall performance was 4.2. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Motyka on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Motyka a rating of 4.2.

Four other groups were also asked to evaluate Judge Motyka's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.8, and court employees gave him 4.2. There were no responses from social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.7.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Gregory J. Motyka**

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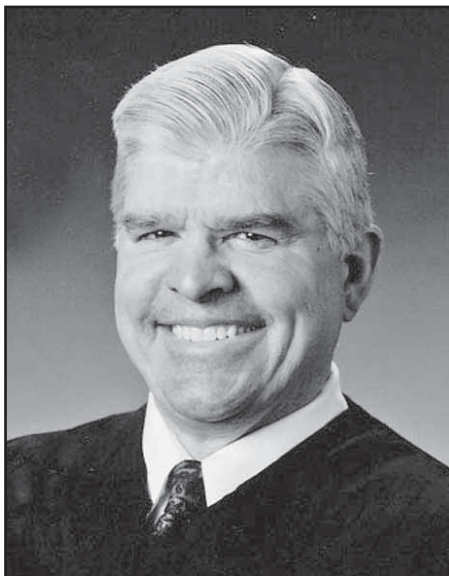
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# District Court Judge

## Sigurd E. Murphy, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** April 5, 1946  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Los Angeles, CA  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Mary  
**CHILDREN:** Anne Marie, Sigurd III  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 W. 4th Avenue, Room 342  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 34 years  
Anchorage 1972-present

### **EDUCATION:**

Ojai High School, 1960-1964; University of Southern California, 1965-1969, B.S. Public Administration; University of Southern California Law School, 1969-1972, J.D.

### **MILITARY:**

**MILITARY SERVICE:** Brigadier General (retired). Awards: Twenty-four including: The Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service, Presidential Unit Citation, Army Achievement, Army Commendation, Pathfinder, Alaska Disaster Relief; Present Commander of a Coast Guard Flotilla.

### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

District Court Judge; Former member, Joint Committee on Military Bases in Alaska.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Alaska Bar Association, American Board of Trial Advocates, Admitted to the Supreme Court of the United States of America and Military Court of Appeals.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Coast Guard Auxiliary; Past Rotary President; Church Lay Leader.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Family, hunting, rodeo, diving (Master Diver), search and rescue.

### **OTHER:**

Civil Rules Committee, and numerous justice-related committees in an attempt to improve the justice system.

### **STATEMENT:**

I appreciate this opportunity to address you on the subject of my retention. My judicial philosophy is straight forward. As a judge I hold a public trust to administer justice fairly and impartially. I believe in God and country and begin each court day with the pledge of allegiance to remind all present of our obligation to ensure justice for all.

In all criminal proceedings, while mindful of the rights of the accused, I also consider the rights of victims and when imposing criminal sentences I weight numerous factors, including the need to confine a defendant to prevent further harm to the public and to deter the defendant and others from future criminal conduct. Because of my concern about such issues as the high cost of litigation and the increase in violence in our society, I am a member of various private and public boards and committees. To assist our veterans, I helped create and run the Alaska Veterans Court.

I believe in the power of an informed public and therefore promote awareness of the judicial system by giving speeches, teaching at schools, and hosting court tours. Constant public scrutiny motivates judges, prosecutors, jurors and witnesses to adhere strictly to their oaths of duty. I believe judges must be intelligent, hardworking civil servants, which is why you will often find me working on weekends and holidays. My judicial colleagues exhibit exemplary integrity, diligence and compassion. I am honored to be a member of one of the best state judicial system in our country.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Sigurd E. Murphy, District Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

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### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.9                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.0                | 4.2                        | 5.0             | 3.7                         | 3.7   |
| Integrity     | 4.2                | 4.5                        | ---             | 3.7                         | 3.7   |
| Temperament   | 3.9                | 4.1                        | 5.0             | 3.5                         | 3.7   |
| Diligence     | 4.2                | 4.3                        | ---             | 4.0                         | 3.7   |
| Overall       | 3.9                | 4.2                        | 5.0             | 3.7                         | 3.7   |

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### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Sigurd E. Murphy on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Sigurd E. Murphy on overall performance was 3.9. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Sigurd E. Murphy on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Sigurd E. Murphy a rating of 4.2.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Sigurd E. Murphy's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 5.0, court employees gave him 3.7, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 3.7. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.8.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Sigurd E. Murphy**

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November 2006

# District Court Judge

## Stephanie Rhoades, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** September 24, 1958

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Newton, MA

**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 W. 4th Avenue  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 20 years  
Anchorage September 1986-present

**EDUCATION:**

Needham High School (Needham, Massachusetts), Diploma; University of Massachusetts, College of Public and Community Service (Boston, Massachusetts) 1983, B.A. Legal Services; Northeastern University School of Law (Boston, Massachusetts), 1986, J.D.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

District Court Judge, 1992-present; Assistant District Attorney, District Attorney's Office (Anchorage), 1988-1992; law clerk, Alaska Supreme Court, 1986-1987.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Founder, Anchorage Coordinated Resources Project (Mental Health Court).

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Compeer, Anchorage Community Mental Health Services.

**STATEMENT:**

It has been my honor since August of 1992 to serve the people of the State of Alaska as a district court judge.

The vast majority of you who have contact with any court in the state have contact with the district court.

Many people appear in the district court without attorneys. I am committed to providing individuals who seek to have legal issues resolved in the court with the same kind of access to the justice system that individuals with lawyers have.

Many of you have or will serve as jurors. I am committed to treating jurors with courtesy and appreciation for their service.

I strive to treat all people who come to the court – individuals, attorneys, jurors and others – with respect and fairness and to assist them in understanding and using their court system.

If retained, I will continue to uphold my oath of office by providing the public with an accessible, fair and impartial forum for dispute resolution.

# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Stephanie Rhoades, District Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Rhoades to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain her as a district court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.8                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 3.6                | 4.0                        | 4.8             | 4.2                         | 4.6   |
| Integrity     | 3.9                | 4.2                        | ---             | 4.3                         | 4.7   |
| Temperament   | 3.3                | 3.8                        | 4.9             | 4.0                         | 4.4   |
| Diligence     | 3.8                | 4.1                        | ---             | 4.3                         | 4.6   |
| Overall       | 3.6                | 4.0                        | 4.8             | 4.2                         | 4.6   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent

4.0 = Good

3.0 = Acceptable

2.1 = Deficient

1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Rhoades on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Rhoades on overall performance was 3.6. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Rhoades on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Rhoades a rating of 4.0.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Rhoades' performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated her 4.8, court employees gave her 4.2, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated her at 4.6. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated her 3.4.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Stephanie Rhoades**

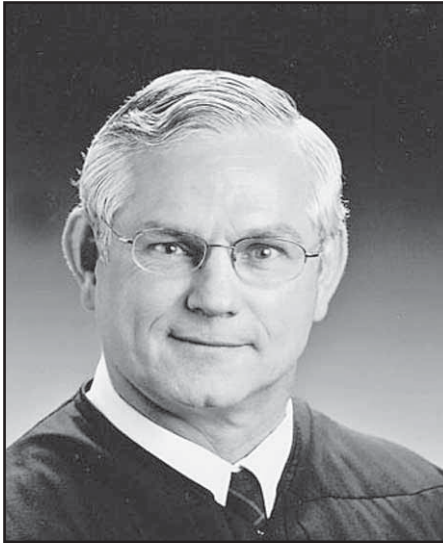
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# District Court Judge

## Jack W. Smith, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** March 25, 1950  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** St. Maries, ID  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Patricia  
**CHILDREN:** Joshua, Jarad, Jacqueline  
**MAILING ADDRESS:** 825 W. 4th Avenue  
Anchorage, AK 99501

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 12 years  
Chugiak 2000-present  
Kotzebue 1998-2000  
Chugiak 1994-1998

**OCCUPATION:** District Court Judge

### EDUCATION:

Madison High School (Rexburg, Idaho); U.S. Air Force Academy, 1968-1972, B.S.; University of Southern California, 1973-1975, M.S.; University of Idaho College of Law, 1976-1978, J.D.

### MILITARY:

Air Force Colonel (retired after 25 years); Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (5), Air Force Commendation Medal (2), Air Force Achievement Award, Combat Readiness Medal; graduate of Air Command and Staff College and Air War College.

### POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:

Assistant District Attorney, 1998-2003.

### BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Alaska Bar Association; Idaho Bar Association; American Judges Association; Magistrate Training Judge.

### SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:

Anchorage Museum of History and Art; Anchorage Concert Association; Alaska State Handball Association; Air Force Association; Retired Officers Association; Association of Graduates, U.S. Air Force Academy.

### SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Family, handball, traveling, reading, continuing education (enrolled in a masters degree in judicial studies program through the National Judicial College and the University of Nevada Reno).

### OTHER:

Certified by the National Judicial College, following completion of six one-week and one two-week course, in: 1) General Jurisdiction Trial Skills, 2005; Dispute Resolution Skills, 2005. Certified in civil mediation, 2005.

### STATEMENT:

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the people of Alaska as a district court judge. In both criminal and civil cases I strive to provide fair, impartial and prompt resolution of the issues before the court. I try to be courteous to all parties who appear before me and to be knowledgeable of and prepared to address the issues they have raised or that exist in their cases.

In conjunction with another district court judge I established a veteran's court to facilitate the resolution of life problems for military veterans with misdemeanor criminal charges. Through the use of Veterans Affairs resources, treatment and rehabilitation services are available for these individuals at no cost to the State.

I hope to continue to serve the people of this state. My continued commitment is to perform my duties to the highest standards, to continue to improve my education and skills as a judge, and to seek to improve the administration and delivery of justice to the citizens of Alaska.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Jack W. Smith, District Court, Anchorage

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Jack W. Smith to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a district court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.1                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.3                | 4.1                        | 4.9             | 4.4                         | ---   |
| Integrity     | 4.4                | 4.3                        | ---             | 4.5                         | ---   |
| Temperament   | 4.3                | 4.2                        | 4.9             | 4.4                         | ---   |
| Diligence     | 4.3                | 4.3                        | ---             | 4.5                         | ---   |
| Overall       | 4.3                | 4.2                        | 4.9             | 4.5                         | ---   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
2.1 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Jack W. Smith on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Jack W. Smith on overall performance was 4.3. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Jack W. Smith on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Jack W. Smith a rating of 4.2.

Four other groups were also asked to evaluate Judge Jack W. Smith's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, and court employees gave him 4.5. There were no responses from social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.7.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Jack W. Smith**

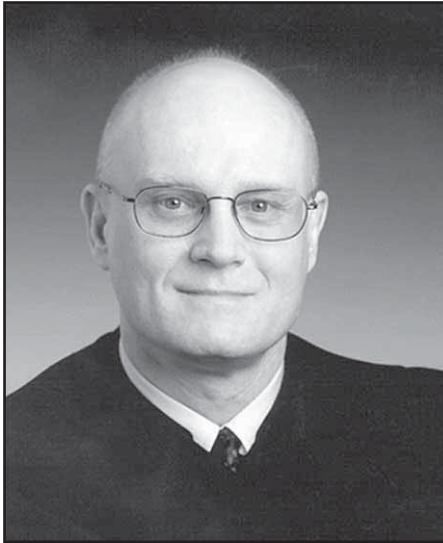
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# District Court Judge

## John W. Wolfe, Third Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** November 24, 1957

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Big Springs, TX

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Kimber Wolfe

**CHILDREN:** Benjamin Wolfe (31),  
Elias Wolfe (27),  
Erin Wolfe (22),  
Granddaughter, Sidney Wolfe (2)

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 9 years

|            |              |
|------------|--------------|
| Bethel     | 1997-1999    |
| Soldotna   | 1999-2003    |
| Dillingham | 2003-2005    |
| Palmer     | 2005-present |

### **EDUCATION:**

Poland High School, Alexandria, LA., Graduated 1975;  
University of Oklahoma, B.S. Mathematics 1980;  
University of Oklahoma, J.D. 1983.

### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Assistant District Attorney, 24th District of Oklahoma,  
1985-1997; Assistant District Attorney, Bethel, Alaska,  
1997-1998; District Attorney, Bethel, Alaska, 1998-1999;  
Assistant District Attorney, Kenai, Alaska, 1999-2003;  
Assistant District Attorney, Dillingham, Alaska, 2003-2005;  
District Court Judge, Palmer, Alaska, 2005-present.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Associate, Tolle and Parish Law Firm, Okemah, Oklahoma,  
1983-1985.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Bar Association, Mat-Su Bar Association.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Hiking, fishing, travel.

### **STATEMENT:**

It has been a privilege for me to serve as a District Court Judge. I am grateful for the positive recommendations of the Alaska Judicial Council, attorneys, peace officers throughout the state, and the jurors who have appeared before me.

Since I began the practice of law in Alaska, I have consistently been impressed with the integrity, diligence and compassion of the judges before whom I appeared. I am honored to be a member of what I believe to be among the finest judicial systems in the country.

I try to consider each case in a careful, impartial and thoughtful manner and to render a judgment that is fair and in accordance with the law.

I have welcomed opportunities to promote respect for democratic principles and our system of justice by speaking to groups such as youth court graduation and by assisting school classes in mock trials.

I strive to conduct my duties with integrity, humility and diligence. If retained I will continue to faithfully perform the job entrusted to me to the best of my ability.

# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge John W. Wolfe, District Court, Palmer

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Wolfe to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a district court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.0                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.0                | 4.1                        | 4.8             | 4.4                         | ---   |
| Integrity     | 4.3                | 4.3                        | ---             | 4.4                         | ---   |
| Temperament   | 4.2                | 4.2                        | 4.8             | 4.4                         | ---   |
| Diligence     | 4.3                | 4.3                        | ---             | 4.5                         | ---   |
| Overall       | 4.1                | 4.1                        | 4.7             | 4.5                         | ---   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

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4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
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1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Wolfe on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Wolfe on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Wolfe on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Wolfe a rating of 4.1.

Four other groups were also asked to evaluate Judge Wolfe's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.7, and court employees gave him 4.5. There were no responses from social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 2.9.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge John W. Wolfe**

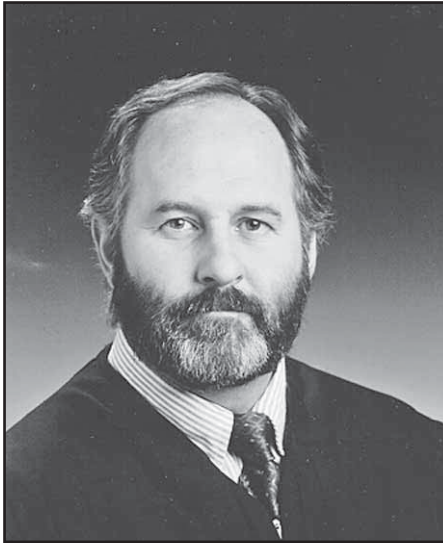
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# Superior Court Judge

## Leonard R. Devaney, Fourth Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** March 19, 1957  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Bayonne, NJ  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Darlene Orr  
**CHILDREN:** Panaay, age 15  
Quya, age 13  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 16 years  
Nome 1990-2002  
Bethel 2002-present

### **EDUCATION:**

University of North Carolina at Wilmington, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, 1979; University of Montana, Juris Doctorate 1990.

### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Superior Court Judge 2002-present; Assistant Attorney General/Assistant District Attorney 1990-1991.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Owner, Law Offices of Leonard Devaney 1993-2002; Attorney, Kawerak Inc. 2002-2003; Child in Need of Aid Court Improvement Committee; Advisory Committee on Therapeutic Courts; Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Prevention of Underage Drinking.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Alaska Bar Association.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Snow machining, fishing, hunting, and coin collecting.

### **STATEMENT:**

I have been honored to serve as a judge for almost five years, and I work hard to perform my duties as a Superior Court Judge in a fair and impartial manner. I am committed to hearing cases in a timely manner while at the same time encouraging settlement and early resolution, when appropriate. I try to provide prompt, courteous, and fair hearings for every person, adult or child, who appears in court.

It has been my privilege to be a part of the Bethel Therapeutic Court, where the judge becomes part of a team that works on developing a solution. This program is designed to provide defendants the tools and support necessary to overcome their addiction to alcohol outside of a jail setting, while at the same time staying employed and giving back to their community by performing community work service. It is wonderful to watch defendants grow, learn to believe in themselves, and become more productive members of our community.

We are all very concerned about the effects of drugs and alcohol on our young people. I do my best to try to communicate these effects to the young people who appear before the court. I believe nothing we do is more important than trying to help our youth in any way we can. Outside of court I coach Little League Baseball. I have fun coaching and spending quality time with the youth of our community.

I will continue to strive to serve all the people of the Alaska in a fair, honest and effective manner. Thank you all for this opportunity.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Leonard R. Devaney, III Superior Court, Bethel

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Devaney to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.2                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 3.7                | 3.7                        | 4.3             | 4.4                         | 3.0   |
| Integrity     | 3.8                | 4.1                        | ---             | 4.4                         | 4.0   |
| Temperament   | 3.7                | 4.0                        | 4.3             | 4.4                         | 3.0   |
| Diligence     | 3.4                | 3.9                        | ---             | 4.3                         | 3.7   |
| Overall       | 3.4                | 3.9                        | 4.5             | 4.4                         | 3.3   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent

4.0 = Good

3.0 = Acceptable

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1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Devaney on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Devaney on overall performance was 3.4. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Devaney on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Devaney a rating of 3.9.

Three other groups also evaluated Judge Devaney's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.5, court employees gave him 4.4, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 3.3.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Leonard R. Devaney, III**

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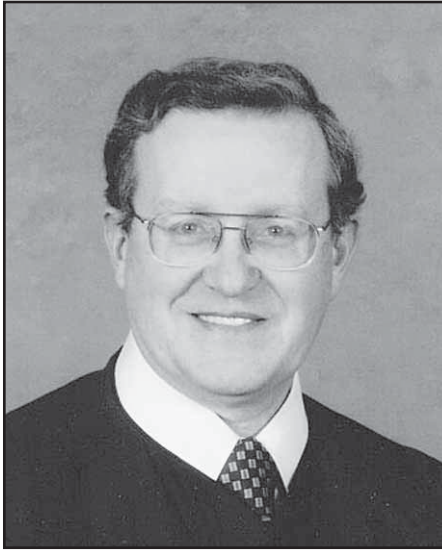
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# Superior Court Judge

## Randy M. Olsen, Fourth Judicial District



### STATEMENT:

I have been honored to serve as a judge for three years and I strive to perform my duties as a Superior Court Judge in a fair, courteous, and impartial manner. I recognize that the cases entrusted to me are very important to the people involved and to our communities. I enjoy serving as a peacemaker in the community, helping to provide a vehicle which can fairly hear conflicting view points and resolve disputes. I will continue to work hard to serve the people of Alaska.

**DATE OF BIRTH:** July 4, 1950  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Salt Lake City, UT  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Jerri Olsen  
**CHILDREN:** Jeff, Jenny, Kristi, Eric,  
Julie, Pete, Brian, Tim

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 55 Years  
Fairbanks 1951-present

**EDUCATION:**  
Brigham Young University: BA (History) 1974;  
Juris Doctorate Degree, 1977.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Superior Court Judge 2003-present; Assistant Attorney  
General 1982-2003; Assistant District Attorney 1977-  
1982.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Access to Court Records Committee.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Alaska Bar Association; Tanana Valley Bar Association.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Boy Scouts, Genealogy, Knot Tying.

*Provided and paid for by the candidate. The text of this statement is presented as submitted  
by the candidate in accordance with AS 15.58.030 and 6 AAC 25.700.*

# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Randy M. Olsen, Superior Court, Fairbanks

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Olsen to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.8                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.2                | 3.6                        | 4.8             | 4.5                         | 4.8   |
| Integrity     | 4.4                | 3.8                        | ---             | 4.6                         | 4.9   |
| Temperament   | 4.3                | 3.9                        | 4.9             | 4.5                         | 4.8   |
| Diligence     | 4.1                | 3.5                        | ---             | 4.4                         | 4.7   |
| Overall       | 4.1                | 3.5                        | 4.8             | 4.4                         | 4.8   |

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#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
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### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Olsen on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Olsen on overall performance was 4.1. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Olsen on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Olsen a rating of 3.5.

Three other groups also evaluated Judge Olsen's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.8, court employees gave him 4.4, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.8.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Randy M. Olsen**

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# Superior Court Judge

## Mark I. Wood, Fourth Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** May 13, 1948  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Evanston, IL  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Kathleen D. Wood  
**CHILDREN:** William R. II (31), Rachel (29),  
Mark (27), David (25),  
Jonathan (22), Emily (20),  
Melissa (17)

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 46 years

### **EDUCATION:**

Lathrop High School, 1962-1966, Diploma; Stanford University, 1966-1970, A.B. Political Science (with honors); Cornell Law School, 1972-1975, J.D.

### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Currently serving on the court's Fairness and Access Committee, Family Rules Committee, and the Fourth Judicial District's Juvenile Justice Task Force. Judge Wood is the Presiding Judge of the Fourth Judicial District.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Executive Board, Midnight Sun Council (Boy Scouts of America); actively involved in local church.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Spending time with my wife of 32 years, family especially children's activities, cross-country running and skiing, reading science and historical fiction, avid UAF Nanook basketball fan, and neophyte devotee to the ancient game of Go.

### **STATEMENT:**

With over thirteen years of experience as a Fairbanks judge, I continue to enjoy the privilege of serving my community in this capacity. During this last term of service I have been appointed to serve as a superior court judge. That has inspired me to broaden and upgrade my skills and knowledge to meet the challenges of a more diverse and complex caseload. I have presided over trials in Fairbanks, Tok, Delta Junction, Healy, Nenana, Kotzebue, Barrow, Bethel, Dillingham, and Anchorage.

My involvement in improving our judicial system increased this term as I have served on court system committees dealing with fairness and access issues, civil rules pertaining to family law cases, and on a local task force to improve juvenile justice. I have increased my personal preparation by attending seminars in advanced evidence, judicial writing, family law, scientific evidence, and management skills for presiding judges. My courtroom is frequently visited by classes during the school year and I am a regular speaker at our schools on law-related subjects.

The increased experience and preparation has not changed my overall approach to judging - to treat all parties with the dignity and respect they deserve as citizens of our great state. My greatest resolve is to ensure each litigant before me has a full and fair opportunity to be heard.

# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Mark I. Wood, Superior Court, Fairbanks

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Wood to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.2                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.1                | 4.1                        | 4.8             | 4.6                         | 3.7   |
| Integrity     | 4.4                | 4.4                        | ---             | 4.7                         | 3.9   |
| Temperament   | 4.2                | 4.1                        | 4.8             | 4.6                         | 3.7   |
| Diligence     | 4.2                | 4.1                        | ---             | 4.7                         | 4.0   |
| Overall       | 4.2                | 4.1                        | 4.8             | 4.6                         | 3.9   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
4.0 = Good  
3.0 = Acceptable  
2.1 = Deficient  
1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Wood on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Wood on overall performance was 4.2. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Wood on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Wood a rating of 4.1.

Three other groups also evaluated Judge Wood's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.8, court employees gave him 4.6, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 3.9.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Mark I. Wood**

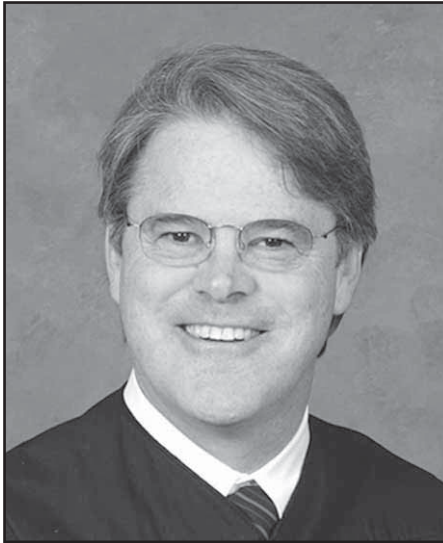
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November 2006

# District Court Judge

## Winston S. Burbank, Fourth Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** August 7, 1948  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Los Angeles, CA  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Glenda J. G. Burbank  
**CHILDREN:** Winston Jr., Baxter,  
and Bianca

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 29 years  
Fairbanks 1977-present

**EDUCATION:**  
University of Nevada, Las Vegas: Bachelor of Science,  
Business Administration; Southwestern University, School  
of Law: Juris Doctorate Degree.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
District Court Judge 2000-present; Alaska Public Office  
Commission, Commissioner.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**  
Private attorney from 1977 to 2000.

**SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**  
Alaska Bar Association; Tanana Valley Bar Association.

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Flying, Fishing, and Family.

### OTHER:

I enjoy meeting with community groups and school kids to explain how the Alaska courts work and what services are available.

### STATEMENT:

I have been honored to serve as a judge for three years and I strive to perform my duties as a District Court Judge in a fair and impartial manner. I am committed to hearing cases in a timely manner while also encouraging settlement and early resolution, when appropriate, to save time and money for the citizens involved. In all cases, I gather facts by reading and listening carefully, asking questions and considering the arguments and reasoning presented to me. I recognize that the cases entrusted to me are very important to the people involved and to our communities. I try hard to manage my responsibilities so that each matter is given careful research and fair consideration. I am also responsible for District Court matters in the communities of Galena and Fort Yukon. I try to visit these rural communities three to four times a year and to meet with the community leaders. I will continue to work hard to serve the people of Alaska in a fair and honest manner.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Winston S. Burbank, District Court, Fairbanks

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Burbank to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a district court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

|               | Attorney<br>Survey | Peace<br>Officer<br>Survey | Juror<br>Survey | Court<br>Employee<br>Survey | Social Workers<br>Guardians ad Litem<br>CASAs |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 4.2                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 4.4                | 4.2                        | 4.9             | 4.8                         | 5.0   |
| Integrity     | 4.5                | 4.4                        | ---             | 4.8                         | 5.0   |
| Temperament   | 4.5                | 4.4                        | 4.9             | 4.8                         | 4.5   |
| Diligence     | 4.4                | 4.3                        | ---             | 4.8                         | 4.5   |
| Overall       | 4.4                | 4.4                        | 4.9             | 4.8                         | 4.5   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
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### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Burbank on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Burbank on overall performance was 4.4. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Burbank on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Burbank a rating of 4.4.

Three other groups also evaluated Judge Burbank's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, court employees gave him 4.8, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 4.5.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Winston S. Burbank**

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November 2006

# District Court Judge

## Jane F. Kauvar, Fourth Judicial District



**DATE OF BIRTH:** July 21, 1948  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Denver, CO  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** John Athens  
**CHILDREN:** Marika, Allison, Noah  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 33 years  
Fairbanks 1973-present

### **EDUCATION:**

George Washington High School, 1963-1966; Scripps College, 1966-1968; University of Colorado, 1968-1970, B.A.; Boalt Hall School of Law, 1970-1973, J.D.

### **POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Fairbanks Assistant Public Defender, State of Alaska, 1976-1981; Assistant District Attorney, State of Alaska, 1975-1976; Clerk to Chief Justice Rabinowitz, State of Alaska, 1973-1974.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Deputy Presiding District Court Judge, 1997-present; Pro Tem and Acting Superior Court Judge, 1986-present; District Court Judge 1981-present.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Soccer, bicycling, reading, knitting.

### **STATEMENT:**

I have served as a District Court Judge in Fairbanks for over twenty-five years. I have served as a Superior Court Judge ("pro tem") and as an Acting Superior Court Judge when needed. I appreciate the opportunity to serve the public, and I believe my years of experience are a benefit to the community. I am committed to continuing to provide prompt, courteous, and fair hearings for every person who appears in court.

I am very grateful for the support that I was shown last year following my bicycle accident, and I would like to thank everyone for their concern. I have made Fairbanks my home for over thirty-three years, I was married here, and our three children were born and raised here. Throughout the years, I have been actively involved in various community and educational programs. I have been a judge for high school swim meets, "Project Citizen" and "We the People" programs, and I enjoy conducting mock trials for school classes. I actively participate as a walker in many of the local running events held throughout the year, and I play soccer in the women's soccer league.

I appreciate the community's past confidence in me as a judge, and I will continue to earn that confidence.

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# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Jane F. Kauvar, District Court, Fairbanks

### Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Kauvar to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously that the public vote "Yes" to retain her as a district court judge.

### Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

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|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Legal Ability | 3.9                | ---                        | ---             | ---                         | ---   |
| Impartiality  | 3.8                | 3.6                        | 4.7             | 4.5                         | 3.3   |
| Integrity     | 4.1                | 3.9                        | ---             | 4.6                         | 3.3   |
| Temperament   | 3.8                | 3.8                        | 4.8             | 4.4                         | 3.3   |
| Diligence     | 3.6                | 3.8                        | ---             | 4.4                         | 4.0   |
| Overall       | 3.9                | 3.7                        | 4.7             | 4.5                         | 4.5   |

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

#### Rating Scale

5.0 = Excellent  
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1.0 = Poor

### Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Kauvar on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Kauvar on overall performance was 3.9. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Kauvar on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Kauvar a rating of 3.7.

Three other groups also evaluated Judge Kauvar's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated her 4.7, court employees gave her 4.5, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated her at 4.5.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Jane F. Kauvar**

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## Understanding Ballot Rotation for 2006

For the 2006 General Election, the following races will be up for election: U.S. Representative, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, 10 State Senate Districts and 40 State House Districts. All ballot rotation will take place by State House District.

Candidates for the U.S. Representative, Governor and Lieutenant Governor races will be placed on the first ballot (House District 1) in alphabetical order. Then, beginning with the House District 2 ballot, candidates will rotate by the top candidate moving to the bottom of the race and all other candidates moving up one position. This rotation will continue through all 40 State House District ballots.

Each State Senate District is comprised of two State House Districts. For the 10 State Senate races, there will be a random draw of the letters of the alphabet to determine the order of how the candidates will be placed on the first State House District ballot. For the second State House District, in which the State Senate District appears, the candidates will rotate by the top candidate moving to the bottom of the race and all other candidates moving up one position.

For the 40 State House District races, there will be a random draw of the letter of the alphabet to determine the order of how the candidates will be placed on the State House District ballot.

There will be one random draw of the letters of the alphabet for both the State Senate and State House District races.

| State of Alaska – Division of Elections<br>Official Ballot<br><b>House District 1</b> |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| <b>US Representative</b>  |  | <b>Governor or Lt. Governor</b>        |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Apple, Joe  |  | <input type="radio"/> Arctic, Jones    |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Banana, Mary  |  | <input type="radio"/> Barrow, Margaret |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Cantaloupe, Susie   |  | <input type="radio"/> Caribou, Jamie   |  |
| <b>State Senate District A</b>  |  | <b>State House District 1</b>          |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Jackson, Henry  |  | <input type="radio"/> Jack, Shelly     |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Darby, Meghan   |  | <input type="radio"/> Queen, Whitney   |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Wakefield, Sandie   |  | <input type="radio"/> King, Joseph     |  |

| State of Alaska – Division of Elections<br>Official Ballot<br><b>House District 2</b> |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| <b>US Representative</b>  |  | <b>Governor or Lt. Governor</b>        |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Banana, Mary  |  | <input type="radio"/> Barrow, Margaret |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Cantaloupe, Susie   |  | <input type="radio"/> Caribou, Jamie   |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Apple, Joe  |  | <input type="radio"/> Arctic, Jones    |  |
| <b>State Senate District A</b>  |  | <b>State House District 2</b>          |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Darby, Meghan   |  | <input type="radio"/> Glenn, Marty     |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Wakefield, Sandie   |  | <input type="radio"/> Arrow, Don       |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Jackson, Henry  |  | <input type="radio"/> Seward, Doreen   |  |

| State of Alaska – Division of Elections<br>Official Ballot<br><b>House District 3</b> |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <b>US Representative</b>  |  | <b>Governor or Lt. Governor</b>        |
| <input type="radio"/> Cantaloupe, Susie   |  | <input type="radio"/> Caribou, Jamie   |
| <input type="radio"/> Apple, Joe  |  | <input type="radio"/> Arctic, Jones    |
| <input type="radio"/> Banana, Mary  |  | <input type="radio"/> Barrow, Margaret |
| <b>State House District 3</b>   |  |  |
| <input type="radio"/> O'Malley, Grace   |  |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Minnesota, Rachel   |  |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Abbott, Mable   |  |  |

# **Supplemental Information**

- Political Parties
- Alaska Public Offices Commission
- Permanent Fund Corporation

**Vote!**  
**November 7**



# Alaska Democratic Party



## **Alaska Democrats Work Solve Problems Get Things Done**

### **Honest Leadership & Open Government**

We will end the Republican culture of corruption and restore a government as good as the people it serves.

### **Economic Prosperity & Education Excellence**

We will get the best deal from developing our resources.

We will invest in quality schools and job training, diversify our economy, and plan for the long term.

We will keep the streams that fuel our economy clean and protect our water supply.

We will share the oil windfall with communities and grow the Permanent Fund Dividend.

### **Real Security**

We will increase public safety, personal security and disaster planning.

We will provide economic and health security for our veterans.

### **Energy Independence**

We will get an Alaska gas line built.

We will make affordable natural gas and propane available to all Alaskans.

We will promote development of Alaska's alternative energy resources.

### **A Healthcare System that Works for Everyone**

We will ensure affordable health care for everyone.

☒ **Vote for Change**  
☒ **Vote for Democrats**

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## ALASKA LIBERTARIAN PARTY

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The Alaska Libertarian Party is a political party that fights for the rights of **YOU**, the individual. It is our belief that **individuals know best how to run their lives**, and it is our belief that the reins of government have become too strong, dissolving more of our constitutional rights and liberties each day.

The Libertarian Party is the third largest political party in the United States. Millions of Americans have voted for Libertarian Party candidates in past elections throughout the country, and Alaska is dedicated to providing voters a **REAL CHOICE** in our state's candidates for government office.

Libertarians believe the answer to America's political problems is the same commitment to freedom that earned America—and Alaska—its greatness:

- ★ a **free-market economy** and the abundance and prosperity it brings;
- ★ a dedication to **civil liberties and personal freedom** that marks this country above all others;
- ★ a foreign policy of **non-intervention, peace, and free trade** as prescribed by America's founders.

This year, we have five candidates running for municipal, state, and national office. We hope they have your support:

- ★ **U.S. House:** Alex Crawford
- ★ **Governor:** Billy Toien
- ★ **Lt. Governor:** Robert Mirabal
- ★ **State Representative in District 20 (Mountain View):** Scott Kohlhaas
- ★ **Juneau Assembly District 2:** Sara Chambers

**Thank you for your support and your vote!**

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**Do you value**

- freedom and a secure homeland
- individual responsibility
- limited government
- family & traditional marriage

**Do you support**

- job creation through economic development
- increased individual opportunity
- a strong military
- consequences for bad behavior

**Would you like to reduce:**

- taxes and fees
- government regulations
- unnecessary government programs
- wasteful spending

**Vote Republican for your vision of Alaska**

*Join all races, creeds and faiths in voting for increased liberty & freedom.*

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*"Government is not the giver of rights; only God confers these to the people. People create government, giving it certain and limited powers. Only eternal vigilance by the people will confine government to its proper role."*

*Joseph E. Vogler, Founder of the Alaskan Independence Party.*

Although the origins of the **Alaskan Independence Party** date back to the early 1970s, it wasn't until 1984 that it became an "officially recognized" party by the State of Alaska. Advocating an **"Alaska First"** policy focused around land and resource development, the AIP has since emerged as one of the most significant state-level third parties operating in the late 20th century.

**The AIP** believes full compliance with the Constitutions of the United States of America and the State of Alaska is necessary.

**The AIP** supports and defends States' Rights, Individual Rights, and the Equal Footing Doctrine as guaranteed by the constitutions of the United States of America and the state of Alaska.

**The AIP** supports amending the Constitution of the State of Alaska so as to re-establish the rights of all Alaskan residents to entry upon all public lands within the state, and to acquire private property interest therein, under fair and reasonable conditions. Such property interest shall include surface and sub-surface patent.

**The AIP** wishes to preserve and protect the Alaska Permanent Fund, earnings, and individual Permanent Fund Dividends.

**The AIP** supports a constitutional amendment abolishing and prohibiting all property taxes.

**The AIP** supports the right of the individual to keep and bear arms.

**The AIP** supports the complete abolition of the concept of sovereign or governmental immunity, so as to restore accountability for public servants.

*We are the only Alaskan political party that is entirely comprised of Alaskans, staffed by Alaskans and financed by Alaskans.*

*We affirm that all political power is inherent in the people; that all government originates with the people, is founded on their will only, is instituted to protect the rights of the individual; that all persons have a natural right to life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness, and the enjoyment of the rewards of their own industry; that all persons are equal and entitled to equal protection under the law. We stand on a firm constitutional foundation.*

The Alaskan Independence Party can be summed up in just two words: ALASKA FIRST!

More information about the AIP is available at [www.akip.org](http://www.akip.org)

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# green party of alaska

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**Use the power of your vote for positive political change!**

**Help Greens build a better  
Future!**

**Healthy  
Communities**

**Sustainable Local Economies**



**Clean Air, Water & Land**

**The Green Party invites all Alaskans** to a new kind of politics that finds creative solutions to difficult problems using the empowering process of consensus and Key Values. Young people can join the Green Party, with full participation, before reaching voting age as part of a needed voice for a better future.

**Support Our Troops, Bring Them Home! Support Voters for Peace pledge**

<http://www.votersforpeace.us/>

**Health Care for All**, plus education, prevention, early intervention, as proposed by Greens since 1990.

**Develop Energy Security** through conservation, all-Alaska gas line to Valdez, railbelt spur, propane for bush communities. Develop renewable energies such as hydrogen, solar, wind, micro-hydro, geothermal and tidal energy for Alaskans proposed by Greens since 1990. Commitment to slow greenhouse gases.

**Fiscal Plan: Oppose Governor's PPT oil tax and gas contract scheme.**

Get Fair Return on our oil and gas with gross profits tax or windfall profits tax on oil, reserves tax on gas. Consider all gasoline route options, tax proposals for fair return on resources and gas for Alaskans. Alaska would have \$7 Billion surplus if Greens proposal for windfall profits tax had been enacted in 2000.

**Get big money out of politics**, implement public financing of clean elections like ME, MA and AZ.

**Guarantee continuing access to subsistence resources**, Sport and commercial uses are secondary. (First resolution of Green Party of Alaska, 1991)

**Keep Arctic Refuge Wild for Future Generations** Almost *two* barrels of Refuge oil would have to be produced to equal amount of royalty profit we get from *one* barrel on State lands. Most oil and natural gas lies *outside* the Refuge. Alaska can help provide national energy security with today's oil, tomorrow's gas and future hydrogen and other renewable energy production—a true win-win solution.

**Law and Order:** Prioritize money for education, community intervention and treatment, conflict resolution. Reduce need for enforcement and prisons. Improve conflict resolution, youth courts and tribal courts.

**10 KEY VALUES** Community-based Economics ♦ Grassroots Democracy ♦ Ecological Wisdom ♦ Future Focus ♦ Decentralization ♦ Respect for Diversity ♦ Feminism (Equal Rights) ♦ Global Responsibility ♦ Personal/Social Responsibility/Social Justice ♦ Nonviolence

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Visit the **Alaska Public Offices Commission's** website to access candidate, PAC and Political Party campaign information.

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You can find out:

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# 30 years and growing

## Alaska Permanent Fund

### 2006

## What is the Alaska Permanent Fund?

- ▶ The Permanent Fund is an investment fund created by Alaskans in 1976 as a way to save a portion of our oil revenues for the needs of future generations. On June 30, 2006 the Fund was worth \$32.9 billion.

## Who manages the Permanent Fund?

- ▶ The Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation manages the day-to-day operations of the Fund and is overseen by a six-member Board of Trustees appointed by the governor and selected for their experience in finance, investments or other business related fields.



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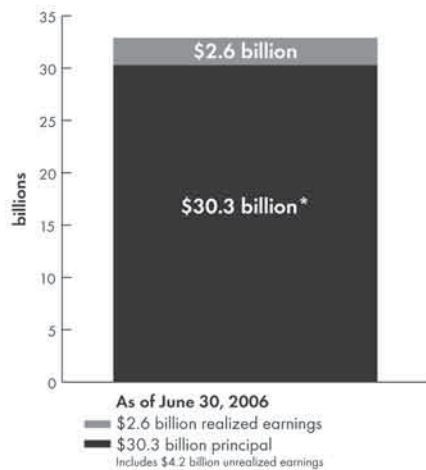
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# How does the fund work?

- ▶ The Fund is divided into two parts, principal and earnings, both of which are fully invested. The Alaska Constitution says that the principal may not be spent. The earnings in the earnings reserve account may be spent by the Legislature for any purpose it wishes. Currently earnings are only used for the Permanent Fund Dividend and transfers to the Alaska Capital Income Fund.



## How does money go into the earnings reserve account?

- ▶ Realized earnings go into the earnings reserve account. This is the income from bond interest, real estate rent payments, stock dividends and the gains from assets that are sold at a profit. Unrealized earnings remain in principal until the assets are sold.

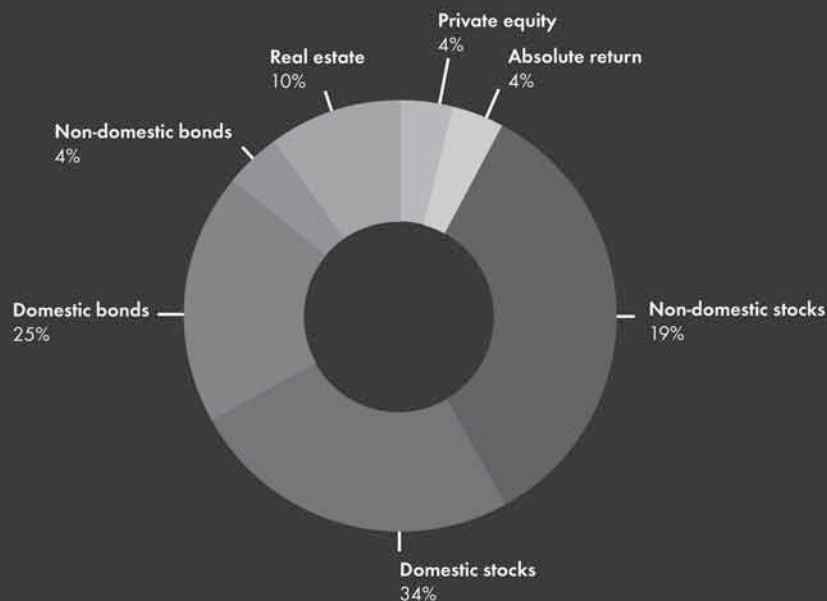
# How is the fund invested?

- ▶ Originally the Fund was only invested in bonds. Now it is invested in a number of different asset classes, which earn income and can grow in value. By diversifying the Fund into these different assets, the Trustees ensure that it is better protected for the future. When one asset class has a down year, it is often balanced by good performance in other asset classes.

# How is the dividend determined?

- ▶ On June 30 of each year, the statutory income of the Fund for the last five years is averaged together and half of that amount is available for the dividend. Then that amount is divided by the number of qualified applicants for the dividend.

Permanent Fund target asset allocation



## Balance Sheets

| Years ended June 30,                           | 2006                     | 2005                  |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                                  |                          |                       |
| Cash and temporary investments                 | \$ 1,717,350,000         | 1,298,571,000         |
| Receivables, prepaid expenses and other assets | 375,839,000              | 648,000,000           |
| <b>Investments</b>                             |                          |                       |
| Marketable debt securities                     | 9,343,451,000            | 9,006,628,000         |
| Preferred and common stock                     | 19,256,381,000           | 17,630,359,000        |
| Real estate                                    | 3,367,049,000            | 2,694,595,000         |
| Alternative investments                        | 951,296,000              | 266,000,000           |
| Alaska certificates of deposit                 | 197,564,000              | 157,953,000           |
| Total investments                              | 33,115,741,000           | 29,755,535,000        |
| Securities lending collateral invested         | 7,466,539,000            | 4,569,049,000         |
| <b>Total assets</b>                            | <b>\$ 42,675,469,000</b> | <b>36,271,155,000</b> |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                             |                          |                       |
| Accounts payable                               | \$ 1,573,845,000         | 1,181,556,000         |
| Income distributable to the State of Alaska    | 725,366,000              | 558,882,000           |
| Securities lending collateral                  | 7,466,539,000            | 4,569,049,000         |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>                       | <b>9,765,750,000</b>     | <b>6,309,487,000</b>  |
| <b>Fund balances</b>                           |                          |                       |
| <b>Reserved – principal</b>                    |                          |                       |
| Contributions and appropriations               | 26,104,252,000           | 24,647,217,000        |
| Unrealized appreciation on invested assets     | 4,220,699,000            | 3,874,602,000         |
| Total reserved                                 | 30,324,951,000           | 28,521,819,000        |
| <b>Unreserved</b>                              |                          |                       |
| Realized earnings                              | 2,584,768,000            | 1,439,849,000         |
| <b>Total fund balances</b>                     | <b>32,909,719,000</b>    | <b>29,961,668,000</b> |
| <b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>     | <b>\$ 42,675,469,000</b> | <b>36,271,155,000</b> |

Values rounded to the nearest thousand.

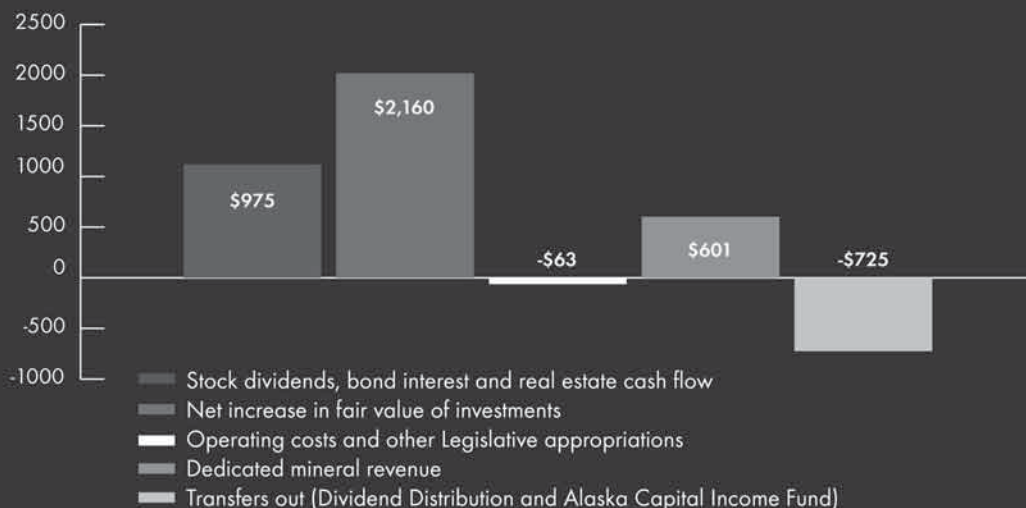
## How does the fund grow?

► The Fund has three sources of potential growth each year:

- The state Constitution directs 25 percent of Alaska's mineral royalties, primarily oil royalties, be deposited into the Fund.
- Income flows in from stock dividends, bond interest and real estate rental fees.
- Assets can increase in value over the original purchase price, whether they are sold or held in the portfolio.

### Source of change in Fund value, fiscal 06

in millions





## Statements of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances

| Years Ended June 30                                      | 2006                    | 2005                 |
|--|-------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Revenues</b>  |                         |                      |
| Interest   | \$ 454,918,000          | 389,825,000          |
| Dividends  | 342,570,000             | 333,372,000          |
| Real estate and other income                             | 177,958,000             | 146,438,000          |
| Total interest, dividends, real estate and other income  | 975,446,000             | 869,635,000          |
| Net increase (decrease) in the fair value of investments |                         |                      |
| - Marketable debt securities                             | (446,683,000)           | 258,917,000          |
| - Preferred and common stock                             | 2,338,113,000           | 1,241,205,000        |
| - Real estate  | 236,974,000             | 298,882,000          |
| - Alternative investments                                | 43,980,000              | 14,098,000           |
| - Foreign currency forward exchange contracts            | (10,135,000)            | 11,950,000           |
| - Currency   | (2,365,000)             | 81,000               |
| Total net increase in the fair value of investments      | 2,159,884,000           | 1,825,133,000        |
| <b>Total revenues</b>                                    | <b>3,135,330,000</b>    | <b>2,694,768,000</b> |
| <b>Expenditures</b>                                      |                         |                      |
| Operating expenditures                                   | (57,230,000)            | (47,735,000)         |
| Other Legislative appropriations                         | (5,800,000)             | (6,821,000)          |
| <b>Total expenditures</b>                                | <b>(63,030,000)</b>     | <b>(54,556,000)</b>  |
| <b>Excess of revenues over expenditures</b>              | <b>\$ 3,072,300,000</b> | <b>2,640,212,000</b> |
| <b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>                    |                         |                      |
| Transfers in - dedicated State revenues                  | 601,117,000             | 480,498,000          |
| Transfers out - statutory and Legislative appropriations | (725,366,000)           | (558,882,000)        |
| <b>Net change in fund balances</b>                       | <b>2,948,051,000</b>    | <b>2,561,828,000</b> |
| <b>Fund balances</b>                                     |                         |                      |
| Beginning of period                                      | 29,961,668,000          | 27,399,840,000       |
| End of period  | \$ 32,909,719,000       | 29,961,668,000       |

Values rounded to the nearest thousand.

## What is POMV?

- ▶ Percent of Market Value is an idea proposed by the Trustees as a better way to limit the amount available to be paid out from the Fund. No more than 5 percent of the Fund's market value could be withdrawn in any one year. This would protect the Fund from overspending, provide guaranteed inflation proofing over time and make the formula for determining payouts match the current investments of the Fund.

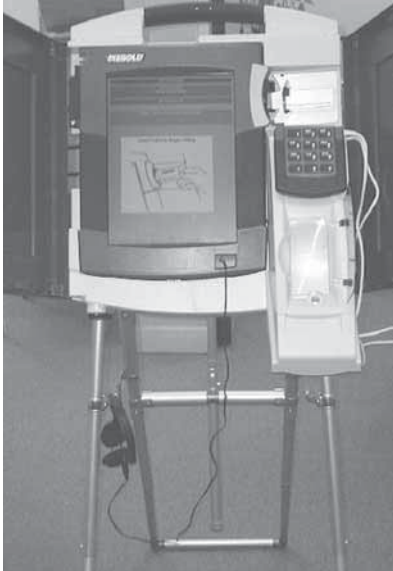


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- ▶ For answers to your questions about the Permanent Fund and for complete financial and investment information, please visit our web site at [www.apfc.org](http://www.apfc.org)

# ALASKA'S NEW TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINE

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Through the funding of the federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA), Alaska has purchased a touch screen machine for each of the state's 439 polling places, which will be used in the 2006 General Election. The touch screen machines allow voters with disabilities the ability to cast a private and independent ballot. The touch screen machines will be available for any voter who wishes to vote on them; however, those with disabilities will have priority in using them. The touch screen machines accommodate visually impaired and blind voters, as well as those with mobility issues.

The voter casts an electronic ballot, and confirms his or her selection with a voter verifiable paper trail produced by the touch screen. This paper print-out is secured behind a screen and is treated as an official ballot in the event of a recount or audit.

## A FEW TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINE FAQs:

### **Q: How will visually impaired and disabled voters cast an independent ballot?**

A: The touch screen machines can be used in many different ways to accommodate different disabilities, and offer large print, high-contrast and audio-only ballots. The ballot appearing on the touch screen can be voted using "pointer sticks" for those with limited or no use of their hands or arms.

### **Q: What is stored on the voter access card?**

A: The voter access card holds ballot information that is read by the touch screen machine and presented to the voter. The voter access card holds only ballot information, not results, and is unusable after being used to vote until it is re-encoded by a poll worker. It does not hold information about how the voter voted.

### **Q: How is the voter access card encoded?**

A: The voter access card is encoded by poll workers using a device called an encoder that looks much like a small calculator and contains ballot information from the Division of Elections.

### **Q: Can a voter access card be used to vote twice?**

A: No, once a voter has finished voting, the voter access card must be re-encoded by a poll worker before being used by another voter.

### **Q: How will the paper ballots be transported after an election?**

A: As voters cast their ballots, the paper record is collected in a security canister inside the touch screen machine's printer module. Once voting ends, ballots will be secured and treated as other paper ballots are.

For more information contact your local elections office  
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